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The Outlook.

The Alliance is attempting propaganda work presentations of their peculiar views at Conton and Portsmouth. The great breakwater now beuntrained in certain fundamental positions in will offer a much-needed refuge to imperiled mariners ereignty? political economy, have been pleased with on this dangerous section of coast. It will contain used, and the vigor with which they were of Plymouth in England. pressed. But it is doubtful whether any deep impression will be made upon Massachusetts farmers, at least, by the extravagant assertions and schemes of the Alliance. Our Eastern tillers of the soil feel no such pinch as that which has driven their brethren in the West to combine, and they are too conservative to for twenty-eight years the pastor of the Fourth support a platform made up of such radical Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York city, elected planks as the abolition of our national banking system, an expanded currency, free and | York in 1872, one of the founders of the Y. M. C. Asunlimited coinage of silver, taxation for revenue only, federal ownership of railroads, to agent of the Society for the Prevention of Crime, the say nothing of the sub-treasury scheme. Leading agriculturists in the western part of this State have criticised the movement adversely in the Boston Herald. They probably Yale, and write hundreds of articles for magazines

plucky stand in forcibly occupying the ruins prohibition, which drew upon him an almost uniof the homes from which they had been evisted, in Lewis Island in the Hebrides, and also be said to his credit that no prohibitionist was defying the local authorities to oust them. ever a more ardent and uncompromising foe of the Of course their behavior is illegal; the owner saloon than was the author of the "Caim View." of the property has an undoubted right to clear it of inhabitants and turn the district into a deer preserve for his own pleasure, and the crofters must yield, and return to their contracted farms outside Orissay Park, even though they starve there. But no one can resist a feeling of sympathy for these optermination to re-claim their homes at what-

Presbyterianism in Japan is more elastic, more progressive, than here. While a committee of the General Assembly have been working at a revision of the creed which must await action by the referring body, the native Presbyterians of Japan have recast their doctrines, adopted a fresh standard of faith, and have entered upon a new era of prosperity. That they have not allowed themselves dangerous latitude in their new formulas, will appear from the following defining clauses added to the Apostles' Creed : -

"The Lord Jesus Christ, whom we worship as God, the only begotten Son of God, for us men and for our salvation was made man and suffered. He offered up a perfect Him by faith are pardoned and accounted righteous; and faith in Him, working by love, purifies the heart.

The Holy Ghost, who, with the Father and the Son, is worshiped and glorified, rereals Jesus Christ to the soul, and without His grace, man, being dead in sin, cannot enter the kingdom of God. By Him the prophets and apostles and holy men of old re inspired, and He, speaking in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the supreme and infallible Judge in all things pertaining unto faith and living. From these Holy Scriptures the ancient Church of Christ confession with praise and thanksgiving."

the very spot where their victims suffered. and is treason to the marriage bond.

dems, an immense wreath of wrought gold, a woman her higher place."

Briefer Comment.

THE abolition of bull-fighting in one of the Mexican States; and the retirement of Gen. Pache. co from public life that be may, among other things, establish, on his great hacienda of Motzorongo, an industrial colony of boys rescued from city streets, the lads on the completion of their term to be assisted with a small capital for entering business; are two encouraging indications of the social uplift that is going on within the domain of our "next-door neigh-

reform, was removed by the death of Dr. Howard Crosby on Sunday last, at the age of 65. Born of excellent stock on both sides, gaining early and brilliant repute both as a student and an instructor, chancellor of the University of the City of New sociation of that city, and the leading organizer and moderator of the General Assembly at Baltimore in 1872, finding time also to write commentaries and other books, prepare an edition of the plays of Sophocles, lecture in the Lyman Beecher course at voice the general sentiment of New England and other periodicals, it must be confessed that for a man who forty-five years ago was pronounced incurably sick with consumption, there is no record of

SOME EXPERT OPINIONS.

men for the Gospel ministry, the quality and the high standard evinced both as regards inselves to be instructed. Without knowing from teaching that looks to special conditions the attitude of the reverend faculty of this - present a principle rather than a precise institution on the subject of the admission of rule, and the application of the principle must women to General Conference (that of Presireaders the responses below: -

Marcus D. Buell, S. T. D. Dean, and Professor of New Testament Greek and

lawful? 2. Is it expedient?

Apostle Paul denied to married women in the surance. churches of Greece and Asia Minor the right to speak in public. Such speaking, indeed, he denounces in peculiarly strong terms. Womthem to speak is aischron, a word whose En- me, in view of questions of the vitalest indrew its confession, and we, holding the glish meaning is represented in Liddell and terest, political, religious and educational; faith once delivered to the saints, join in that Scott's Lexicon by "shameful." "disgrace. Scott's Lexicon by "shameful," "disgrace- questions of immigration, naturalization and ful," "base," "infamous." In the light of finance; questions of moral reforms, religious the popular opinion of that age, however, no revivals, of foreign and home missions, of Some weeks ago tidings came of a whole- one can pronounce such language too severe. labor agitations, of social disturbances, and sale massacre, in one of the provinces of The Jewish people were taught that for a various other matters - all of which are be-Madagascar, of leading families, including woman to read the law would be a disgrace fore the people and on which people are askmen, women and children to the number of to a synagogue. Philo, a contemporary of ing for information—that several of our in his Epistles, but by our Lord in the Gos-278 persons, perpetrated by the governor of St. Paul, says: "Market-places, and council Methodist publications are giving too much pels, by the apostles in the Acts, and by the Greek nor Jew, there is neither bond nor free, boy, it follows that — but perhaps the speakers may the province—one Ramiasatra—in resent- chambers, and courts of justice, and large as- prominence to this question of admitting prevailing custom of the church throughout there is neither male nor female, for ye are will let you know. ment of a petition drawn up by them to the semblies of numerous crowds, and a life in women to General Conference. government asking protection from his re- the open air full of arguments and actions re- Some of us are mistaken, or else one of our authority, we would like to be informed as therefore, that the law of God, as a penalty England aren't having a very lively time with the peated acts of cruelty. The wretched vic- lating to war and peace, are suited to men; leading papers certainly has the nightmare to the kind and amount of authority that for sin, everlastingly and universally demands "woman question." You are altogether too unantime of the governor's rage were, many of but taking care of the house and remaining at in bad form on this subject; but we trust it would be satisfactory to those who, on these them, subjected to dreadful torture, such as home are the proper duties of women. There- will wake up some morning, find women in grounds, are fighting the admission of women they are dead and enter heaven, and that, being gradually dismembered, or having their fore let no woman busy herself about those the General Conference, the sun still shining, to the Christian ministry. In confirmation of heads slowly sawed off. Madagascar is under things which are beyond the province of do- and the work of Methodism not in the least this statement, see John 11: 21, 27; John 4: excluded from the General Conferences of ers' Meetings here, when we have a "symposium French control, and the representations of mestic life " (" About Women Behaving Im- hindered by the " revolution." French control, and the representations of foreign residents who knew the facts, led to foreign residents who knew the facts, led to modestly," §1). If public speaking in Paul's why not consent to put the case thus: If prompt action. The governor, and his broth- time was disgraceful immodesty in a woman, women who are intelligent, plous and schol- on Grenzeus, Eusebius in writing on Potoma- let him not be — profane. er who instigated the massacre, have been it is plain why he related it to the law of sub- arly want to enter the General Conference, nia Ammias, and Mosheim's History. found guilty, and have both been executed on jection to her husband, for such conduct was let them do so; the world on that account Now, if some women, those who are qual-

It is probable that the government will pro- If Paul, however, were writing to a modern not want to enter the General Conference, tion, are authorized by the Bible to enter the ceed still further, and deprive the native gov- Protestant church in this Western world, he they can decline to do so, and stay out of it. Christian Church, to speak in its public meeternors, who are of the Hova tribe, of the could not and would not assume that public The work of the Conference without them ings, and to engage in all the ordinary work right to take life at pleasure within their speaking is disgraceful conduct on the part of will in some fashion still go on. Why wran- of the Christian ministry, what fundamental the General Conference. Years ago I found and profitable. Dr. Bates has all the qualificaa married woman, and hence an act of unfaith- gle longer over this matter, the agitation of reason exists for excluding some women who grace to overcome the conceit natural to one tions of an eminent evangelist, and if he could be fulness towards her husband. The contrary as- which never will cease until time ends, or are qualified by their piety, intelligence and so fortunate as to be born male, and adopted spared from the pastorate, he would do a great work In a recent independent appears a cable sumption certainly underlies the usage of the until women and their friends gain what education, from entering and becoming mem- the general principle that, since men and among the churches. And the time when men holdespatch from Athens, sent to that alert and Methodist Episcopal Church, which from the they are asking for? Why not call a halt as bers of the Annual and General Conferences despatch from Athens, sent to that alert and resourceful paper at its own request, detailing the results of explorations at Eretria, in the Island of Euboga, by the American School. The new town, it appears, is built in part on the old city. A large number of precept. The late Dr. D. D. Whedon, in the paralyze both Church and State if much is fast becoming entirely too numerous. elegant marble tombs have been discovered, one of the epitaphs containing mention of the epitaphs containing mention of the even says: "St. Paul treats the sex with the self, and is fast becoming entirely too numerous. Well-considered words of his Commentary, lasting Biblical objection to making a woman ment to secure the rights of women in Church something ought to be done, and that before long.

And besides there is probably no Methodthe daughter of Aristotle." Some of the severity accordant with its then character; ist preacher in New England who has not mitted to the General Conference? We had convinced that their demand for perfect equal-

set with jewels; "also " four white lekythoi, or for a modern Christian woman to speak in what were asked for. vases for unguents." The theatre has also the churches, no more could be deem it im- As to the question in hand, allow me to to reads thus: "Unto the woman be said, I the Corinthians as a merely temporary conbeen uncovered, and new light thrown upon proper for her to participate in the counsels say this first of all, that no questions are of will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy cession to the prejudices of the Greeks of his the construction of its stage. It is not credit and responsibilities of church government, such weight and solemnity as those of right conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth day. Compare the laws with reference to diable to American interest in archæology that in this later age when the benign influences and wrong. The question, therefore, of what children; and thy desire shall be to thy vorce and slavery in the Pentateuch (Matt. Prof. Waldstein should be compelled to con- of Christianity itself have fitted her for such is right or wrong for women to do, especially husband, and he shall rule over thee." 19:8). I prefer to base my opinion in the tinue these excavations at his own expense. co-operation. While it may be freely ad- when considered upon ethical rather than (Compare 1 Tim. 2: 12, 14.) Reducing this matter on more direct evidence. I recall woman, if he please, the sovereignty which belongs to him? Even in the domestic circle, when attempting to do them, responsibilities Church, because by Divine announcement, people from bondage (Mich. 6: 4); Deborah, what is more common than for a father to do that are in many ways perilous; and she Eve, after the fall, was made subordinate to one of the grandest figures in Hebrew histhis very thing and refer the petitions of the should be earnestly warned and entreated not Adam. What a stretch of affairs that is! children to the decision of the mother? We are to persist in her wrong-doing. in New England. It cannot be denied that the past seventeen years 474 wrecks their speakers have made some plausible bave been recorded between the ports of Bos.

WING the past seventeen years 474 wrecks that are well-nigh unquestioned, even overtheir speakers have made some plausible bave been recorded between the ports of Bos.

With man, who shall deny to man, who is the whelming. cord and other points, and that their audiences, ing built by the government at the end of Cape Ann of asking woman to share his earthly sov- the right and wrong of admitting women to usurp authority women to whose godly wisdom and energy

preting the Scriptures in the light of Prov- itations in debate are advantageous and give a weakness in their foundations? making void the law of God.

practical religious questions.

Henry C. Sheldon, S. T. D.

Professor of Historical Theology. a career more active and fruitful. Dr. Crosby was man, as opposed to woman, a special respon-A party of Scotch crofters have taken a man of positive convictions, as his attitude against prohibition, which drew upon him an almost unitable homes from which they had been wereal storm of indignation, proved; but it should be not be not controversy says in the contr idential arrangement, that the woman should emphatically "yes;" the other party, with been full of groans, and woman with great usurp authority over the man, or that women equal emphasis, says "no." collectively should arrogate rule over men. Both parties, however, will doubtless agree subordination of women at the fall, no one is full time for Methodism to ask, "What does this into a deer preserve for his own pleasure, and he has chosen to exercise that right; of course the crofters must yield, and return to their contracted farms outside Orissay Park, even contracted far extent of which are but little understood by position of superior responsibility for the conthe churches even in this vicinity. Its learned trol of affairs, we do not regard as antitake time to look in upon this "school of the eration, and discretion which Methodist wom-

> dent Warren excepted, whose affirmative opinion has been frequently stated in these the probable outcome in practice is the parcolumns), we solicited a brief expression amount question. That adjustment which is from each, and are pleased to present to our likely in the long run to serve best the health and efficiency of the church, is the one most in harmony with the rights and obligations of all parties. As to the probable outcome of the proposed measure I have not the needful space to justify a conclusion; indeed, I The admission of women to the General have not the insight to draw a conclusion Conference involves two questions: 1. Is it with perfect confidence. I can only say that my personal faith as to the ultimate conse-As to the first question: It is clear enough quences of an affirmative decision, has not that in the latter part of the first century the yet reached the comfortable estate of full as-

Luther T. Townsend, S. T. D.

Harris Professor of Practical Theology.

will not end. If, on the other hand, they do ified by their piety, intelligence and educa-

earthed have rewarded the labors of the ex- better future." "It was not given to Orient- doubtful if any one of our preachers will objection; we had not yet reached it.

plorers. These consist in part of "six dia- alism, but to our Teutonic races, to assign to change his mind or his vote by anything that now can be said.

mitted that he does deny a woman's right to prudential grounds, is of such grave impor- matter to its simplest and lowest terms, it Miriam, who, though like Aaron she someusurp authority over a man, we may well ask tance that it is not by men to be trifled with. takes this form: It is "illegal," "wrong," times forgot herself, never forfeited the name where he denies a man's right to share with And we may add that if it is morally wrong for any woman ever to enter the General of a prophetess, and as such was associated

the churches, but have invited them in num- taken its present form; it is this: each party the passages above referred to, no more ex- fice or notoriety, to the humbler sphere of berless instances to share their rulership in in its interpretation of the Bible will be able cludes all women from the General Confer- usefulness for which they were intended. quarterly conferences and official boards, to show, if we may judge from some things ence of the Methodist Episcopal Church than shall now invite them to the larger responsible already said, that its view is right, and it excludes all women from the thrones and bilities of rulership in the General Confer- wholly right; and that the view of the other sceptres of the kingdom of heaven; and that ence, no one can justly accuse them of party is wrong, and wholly wrong. Mean- these passages no more describe the condition The question of expediency I will not dis- that neither party knows anything of the placed, than the struggle with "thorns and tion be withheld until he can express more cuss. That may be safely left to the corpo- matter, and that the Bible is not a rock on thistles" and "the sweat of the brow" de- fully his views on the question. rate judgment of a church which hitherto has which, in safety, one can stand, but is a bank scribe the condition to which God forever

caprice of enthusiastic disputants.

But the Bible does not forbid that men, in the in this: If the Bible clearly forbids women disputes. But is there to be no restoration? thing mean?" We understand that a union with exercise of their responsibility for rulership, the privilege now asked for, she must not be should accept the counsels of women or allot admitted; if it does not clearly forbid that grow? Or, practically, what shall Christians erection of a large church somewhere on West 57th

immediate and unremitting demand. Those, however, whether ministers or laymen, who prophets," are both surprised and rejoiced at en of the present and the coming generations the struggling and bewildered world do?

nobody.

they are not such as to exclude all women from the office of preaching the Gospel of women from the General Conference, existers of the Gospel of Christ, designating the day of Pentecost. them by the same word, deacon (diakonos), that was applied even to Paul and Apollos,

We may add that some women are author- Even Paul was blessed with an inspiring ways at work?" its early history. If in all this there is not all one man in Christ Jesus." The reasoning, 4-42; Matt. 28: 7, 10; Luke 24: 9-11; Acts 2: the Methodist Episcopal Church, is - what on this question. The affirmative and negative

The perpetual subordination of women as pre- harmony with God's will as revealed in His seal ring, and earrings in the form of doves If Paul could not call it a scandalous thing But, pardon me; these suggestions are not is now the battle-cry of the opposition, next some places seems to restrict the liberty of claims our attention. The passage referred women, but I regard Paul's instructions to

indeed asked to remember that the woman is But, on the other hand, if it is right for a an ever to enter the General Conference of the was constrained to acknowledge her his suto be subject to man as the church is subject woman to do certain things, it is no unimpor- Methodist Episcopal Church, because in the perior; and finally Huldah, an otherwise unto Christ. But the Apostle also tells us what tant affair for one to throw obstacles in her infancy o' Christianity and in a church where known prophetess of the days of Josiah, to Christ did for the church, His bride - He pathway; men especially would better not the members were drunk at the communion whom, in an hour of uncertainty and anxiety, gave up Himself for it. If, then, Christ, who assume too great responsibility, indeed no re- service and were guilty of sins too gross to the king of Judah himself sent for instrucis the head of every man, could lay aside sponsibility at all, unless there are reasons mention, and where women even to-day are tion. These women were evidently inspired, head of woman (1 Cor. 11: 3), the privilege Of late all, or most of, the discussions on ings," Paul said to Timothy: "I suffer not their times. Who, then, dare say that the the General Conference have been removed over the man, but to be in silence. For Adam in large measure our denomination owes its I am convinced that if the Christian men from the arena of physiology and philosophy was first formed, then Eve." Does not the success, must be content to "influence" their the novelty and audacity of the arguments a space equal to 1,700 acres — larger than the harbor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, inter- to that of Bible theology. Usually such lim- mere statement of these propositions disclose husbands and brothers from the seclusion of

time the outside world, so-called, will decide in which God now would have the woman of his position, but prefers that its publicaabundantly vindicated its ability to deal with of sand which by shrewd interpretations may would subject the man. But some one may be shifted here, there, and everywhere at the ask, Are you not here antagonizing Paul? By no means. The solution of this matter is If we mistake not, the question now at simple enough. Sin had been committed. issue, when reduced to its lowest terms, is the subordination of women, the thorns and this: Are the teachings of the Bible a barthistles, and sweat of the brow, to which The Scriptures, on the whole, recognize in this: Are the teachings of the Bible a bar- thistles, and sweat of the brow, to which cruelty has been oppressed. The fact of the price of the land and joins the up-town procession, it

men and laymen, in our church, North and Does not the intelligent Christian spirit of the years ago, there would have been no necessity for instructors are but rarely heard in pulpit or Scriptural. The question, therefore, of ad-South, East and West, are at loggerheads; age bid us root out the thorns and thistles, the present proceedings. This new departure will be pressed farmers in their indigenant rebellion instructors are but rarely neard in pulpit or against heartless treatment, and in their deindividual tasks are they by the compulsion of bunal of the church is, so far as the Script- what he is doing when inviting the professors sick, build hospitals, and make the woes of it will be seen that the St. Paul's people were wise. they, too, are at loggerheads; then what will the struggling and bewildered world do?

The three ridman integrations of the conservation of the co But you ask my opinion. Well, here it is; will for men any longer to keep their opstruction and also those who present themwomen. If Christianity bids us lift the curse garded. I shall vote early and as often as is proper from man, in the same breath it must bid us Any one who had the privilege of attending the anfor the admission of women to General Con- lift the curse from woman; and that is what nual meeting of the Methodist Social Union in the ference. I do this on physiological, psycho- will restore her original rights, when she, as Assembly Rooms of the Metropolitan Opera House logical, philosophical, theological, and on all other grounds I can think of. Confining atten-

other grounds I can think of. Confining attention for a moment to the teachings of the Bible, allow me to say that in my judgment bave dominion over the earth. Paradise in the common over the earth ove There is no doctrine more clearly taught in were neither "baked beans" nor "brown bread," it the Scriptures than that Christ came to re- would not be regarded with particular favor by you Christ, since Paul, who is supposed to be the store that which was lost by the fall. Is people of New England. But New Yorkers are more leading advocate on the side of excluding woman to be an exception to the sublime easily pleased, and so that great company of the achievements and conquests of Christianity? very best and choicest of Metropolitan Methodism If the Gospel grants the pardon of her sins, spent nearly two hours in discussing the good things out to preach, gave women directions how why are we to suppose that it will not also with which the tables were laden. Then came the to preach, commended those who did preach, grant her freedom from subordination? The to preach, commended those who did preach, and gave the names of no fewer than twelve women whom he recognized as ordained minnation; and its ending gloriously began on The progress from that day to this has ers' Meetings" during this season, and next Mon-

been slow; but, perhaps, no slower than the day the last one, for the time being, will be held. and employing the same word, prophesy progress of Christianity itself. And no one There was a time when the Methodist ministers as a cons were to do, as was used in describing the alence of an enlightened Christianity will be Church on Fifth Avenue, but that time has gone by, cons were to do, as was used in describing the preaching of the apostles. In confirmation of these various statements, see Rom. 16: 1, 3, 4; Acts 18: 26; 21: 9, 10; Gal. 3: 26; 1 Cor. curses that attended the original transgresis, "The Undeveloped Forces of the Church."

Hinckley G. Mitchell, Ph. D., S. T. D. Professor of Hebrew and Old Testament Exegesis, In-

should oppose the admission of women into sary to say that the meetings were both successful women are alike moral beings, no man has ing Conference relations and highly esteemed by

anest specimens of ancient jewelry yet un- but no vision is vouchsafed him of woman's made up his mind how he will vote, and it is no thought of evading this stupendous ity is just, and must in the end be conceded. ourselves highly favored. I believe, moreover, that this demand is in

dicted and commanded in Genesis 3: 16, which Word. I know, of course, that the Bible in tory, to whom God gave such courage and Or it is " illegal," " wrong," for any wom- wisdom that the leader of the hosts of Israel the kitchen or the nursery? Let us, by all dence and under the guidance of the Holy promise of a speedier settlement than when the Personally we are quite sure that we can means, send some of them to the General Spirit, as I believe, have not only permitted range is next to limitless. There is one ground have no conviction stronger than this - that Conference, and confine their inferiors, male their mothers, sisters and wives to speak in of regret, however, that the controversy has the subordination enjoined upon woman in and female, especially such as aspire to of-

Olin A. Curtis, S. T. D.

Professor Curtis sent in a brief statement

NEW YORK LETTER. " MANHATTAN.

with an edifice which gave prestige to the whole detoll, the sickness, the pain, and the deaths of St. Paul's Church, with its large means and great But unfortunately the leading men, clergy- mankind, in order to help on God's purposes? influence, had entered upon work of this character No one questions their loyalty and generosity, and

We have been having a series of "Union Preach-

Wasn't it Wesley who said, " All at work, and al-This may account for the record From the reports that we get, you people in New

interest. At the last meeting of this character Dr. Leonard and Dr. Buckley were the principal speechmakers, and you can easily imagine that we had an interesting and lively time.

Dr. L. B. Bates has been on here recently, assist-It seems to me very strange that any one in a series of revival services. It is hardly necesing Dr. E. S. Tipple, pastor of St. Luke's Church,

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THE SUPERANNUATES' LOVE-FEAST.

DEAR BROTHER: ZION'S HERALD greets you. It is doubtless known to you that a portion of the receipt; of this paper is annually set aside and dised for your benefit. But the managers of the HERALD are not content with a merely pecuniary re-lation to you; they desire to assure you of a personal sympathy and also of a wish to hear from you in a

words of each must be exceedingly brief. The fol-lowing form has struck us as being desirable, for uniformity's sake: Name, residence, Conference, date of joining Conference at first, date of superan mustion, state of health, testimony.

Then state in briefest terms (not more than 40)

Then state in briefest terms (not more than 40 words) your deepest wish for the church and for your hrethren in the ministry, as though you were making a one-minute speech in a regular love-feast.

If not able to prepare your contribution yourself, can you not ask some one to do it for you? can you not ask so

Cordially yours, The responses received have been accompanied, in most cases, with some personal words of affectionate appreciation that have been very tender and touching. We make place for a few that are characteristic, so that our readers may be brought nearer the thought of these loving and grateful men: -

" Enclosed please find my contribution to the first love-feast ever held in the old HERALD. Abounding as it does in love, it is very appropriate that it should

"I like the HERALD more than ever; yet I have read it since the days of W. C. Brown, esq." "I enjoyed the Wesley number very much.

fact, Zion's HERALD is the most welcome periodical that comes to our home. The whole church ought to sing 'Praise God' for its wise management." "I have not been as vet a participant of the Assobenevolence, as I have not been a Confer-nant. I have up to last Conference filled

stations, and had a regular estimate each year, fully met by the society I might be serving. At the coming Conference I expect to be that unenvied party, an applicant for Conference aid." "I think the old HERALD has improved and re

sewed its youth within the last two years. It treats on more subjects than it used to, both by contributors " The HERALD is doing a better work than ever

Our membership, many of whom were converted ander the labors of these men in the days of their aggressive ministry, will read with grateful pleasure about those to whom they are forever so indebted. As specimens of fine writing some of these testimonies will compare favorably with anything that has ap peared in our paper. Our Superannuates' Love-feast will also, we believe, be a spiritual inspiration to all enr readers. The aspirations of these holy men will move the church to a deeper spiritual yearning. May the richest blessings of Heaven and of our beloved Methodism rest upon the superannuate!

Adams, T. P. - 39 Holvoke St., Boston, Mass. Member of Maine Conference. Joined East Maine Conference in 1847, and superannuated in 1889. I have suffered much, but am comfortable now, and my health is improving. 1 am happy in Jesus, re- Conference in 1843, and superannuated in 1883. I giad anticipation to a glorious immortality. I sin- to give to the church. May it be spared the imand my brethren in the ministry, and my deepest and prayers for the church and her ministry are wish for both is that they may be sanctified wholly without ceasing. and preserved blameless!

Alderman, Merit P .- Hyde Park, Mass. Member of New England Southern Conference. Preached in 1835 on the Brookfield and Leicester Circuit, under the presiding elder: in 1837 joined the New England Conference: superannuated in 1873. My genera health would be comfortable but for asthma, which does not let me lie in bed more than from one to three hours at a time any night. My most earnest wish for the church and ministry is that Bible holi ness may become the universal experience of both. For myself, I would rather be able to preach the upon the ministry and membership of the church Gespei than to be President of these United

Allen, Ralph Willard. - East Boston, Mass. Born, Feb. 16, 1812; converted, 1829; entered the traveling ministry under the presiding elder, 1832; joined the New England Conference, 1833; in active ministerial service about fifty years; superannuated 1890. My health is not good. I am saved in Jesus love the church of God, and am especially attached to that branch whose fellowship I enjoyed for more than sixty years. How sweet and hallowed its com-What multitudes beloved I have known whe are now in glory. Suon I shall meet them. What greetings!

Anderson, Geo. W .- Whitefield, N. H. Member of New England Southern Conference. Con verted at 16, and licensed to preach when 18 Preached during a theological course of study (three years) regularly, under a presiding elder. Joined the Conference in 1867; superannuated in 1886. For the past two years I have been convalescing, and am now supplying every Sunday. My failure of health (mostly from over-work) and recent heavy afflictions full of glory," as I am hid and kept in the "cieft of have been a severe test of my faith and cheerfulness, but I am able to say - not as a sigh or moan, but more as a note of triumph - "Thy will be done." During the past fourteen months, in which I have been preaching again, God has blessed my labors in the conversion of almost one hundred sou's, and this from the depression a superannuate feels so much My best wish for the church of my parents, and in which my interests still centre, is that she may be the hymn, saved from formalism, fanaticism, worldism and creakism. Let us have no more "tinkering" of Methodism, but work it - as it was - at its max imum. My faith for our church is that she will be still one of the grand divisions of the mighty, growing army that will deploy into the millennium fields of a world redeemed.

Arey, B. S. - Upper Stillwater, Maine, Member of East Maine Conference. Born in 1826; converted in 1840; licensed to preach in 1849; graduated from the Biblical Institute, Concord, N. H., in 1852; joined the Conference in 1858; superannuated in 1890. For sixteen consecutive years was secretary of the Conference, and was honored by an election to General Conference in 1880. The preaching of the Gospel is the grandest work given to mortals. God's people are the best people, and the ministry is a brotherhood the ties of which are holy, strong and eternal.

Atkinson, Kinsman. - Biddeford, Me. Commenced to preach in 1853; joined the Maine Confer- into the city, and hear my blessed Lord say, "Well once in 1854, and superannuated in 1889, having had a pastorate thirty-six consecutive years. My health was impaired, first, by an accident, and recently by peasing through the fire that destroyed all my earthly goods. I find complete salvation in my present on, and I most earnestly desire that the heroism of faith, fidelity for our doctrines and seal for souls, in Christis implicit. I love my brethren, and never little. I have enjoyed the fellowship and confidence

Me:hodism, may abide with and inspire my breth-

Banning, Carlos. - Newport, R. I. In 1857 I joined the Providence (now the New England Southern) Conference, was made supernumerary in 1866, and superannuated in 1890. At present my health THE deepest impression made upon us in attend- is not good. When converted to God, in the year ance on the first session of an Annual Confer- 1838, there was an inborn love for Christ, the Bible ence, was when the list of superannuates was called, and the church with its institutions and its ministry. and they spoke their brief, devout and thrilling That love has never lessened. I love the church for words of spiritual experience and hope. As the time its watch care and help; I love the ministry for the approaches for the sessions of our Annual Confer- good tidings it brings to us in its joyful messages ences, it very naturally brings to mind the large list from the Gospel of Christ, and for its works' sake. of "worthies" among us. The peculiarly pleasant I always esteemed it, but never more than now. I and inspiring relation which Zion's Herald holds spend no happier hour than when seated by the side to these "elect" servants of the church, prompted of these servants of God, in close conversation, disthe wish to give them some measure of fitting and cussing the past, the present, and the future interreverent recognition in our columns. This desire led ests of the church of Christ, unless it be such an to the purpose to devote a page to what might prop- hour, as memory frequently recalls, when, as preacherly be termed "The Superannuates' Love-feast." er and pastor, I was engaged in the responsible and The following communication was mailed to each blessed work of my charge, and especially in pointsuperannuate connected with our patronizing Con- ing the awakened penitent to the outstretched arm of the loving Saviour.

Barrows, Justin S .- Brookfield, Mass. Member of New England Conference. Joined the Con ference in 1855; superannuated in 1884. I am in failing health, and for the year past have suffered intensely at times. Evidently I am fast nearing the ort of Superannuates' Love-feast for our columns, to close of this mortal life, and can at times almost see which will be invited every member on this honored list in the six New England Conferences.

As the number is so large (over one hundred), the The Gospel I have preached to others is my support and joy in these days of weakness and pain. Looking back upon my hurried life, great comfort is experienced from the fact that in my ministerial work, pulpit and pastoral, I have constantly and earnestly striven to do that which, at the time, I believed to be the will of the Master. My deepest wish and prayer for my brethren in the ministry is that they may be Christ-like, and live and labor for the uplifting of humanity and the glory of God.

> Beale, Seth H .- Camden, Me. Member of East Maine Conference. Joined the Providence Conference in 1841; was transferred to the Maine Conference in 1843; superannuated in 1887. My health is still fair, and I preach once nearly every Sabbath. Praise God for what He hath wrought in and through the Methodist Church! I love the brethren, and pray that the Spirit of Christ may permeate the whole church and the power of the Gospel extend to the ends of the earth.

> Bean, J. Mores. - Lanark, Ill. Member of New Hampshire Conference. Joined the New Hampshire Conference in 1861; superannuated in 1877. Though disabled for regular work, I am trying, by the grace of God, not to be a dead weight May wisdom so mold the plans, and grace so indite the work, that the Methodist Episcopal Church shall honor itself - reviving, growing, purifying. May each brother in the ministry so walk that his influence shall be a light-house in the beyond!

Beard, Ira. - Northfield, Vt. Member of Ver mont Conference. I joined the New Hampshire Conference in 1834, and was superannuated in 1850. earnest "contenders for the faith which was once permitted to meet with my brethren of the Confer-

of birth, Nov. 28, 1819. Joined the Vermont Consustained the relation three years on account of list three years because of hemorrhage of the lungs; third, in 1886, was laid aside by pervous prostration In her future career may our church never lose the charm of her primitive power! May those who Wesley, and her veterans rejoice in God's work through their "apostolic successors!"

Bemis, Nathaniel. -- East Weymouth, Mass. Member of New England Conference. I joined the joicing in a Saviour's love, and looking forward with am in poor health, but a coveted joy is another life cerely and ardently love the church of my choice pending revolution till the millennium! My love year I may truly say, -

Benton, J. T .- Niantic, Conn. Joined the

Blackman, C. W .- Kent's Hill, Me. Joined the Maine Conference in 1858, and the superannuated ranks in 1878. My health is not firm. Thanks be to God fer past and present victories in Christ! May s "double portion" of the spirit of Wesley rest love most ardently!

Bradford, E. B. - Hyde Park, Mass. Member of New England Southern Conference. I traveled the Mansfield circuit in 1834; was received on trial in the New England Conference in 1835; became supernumerary in 1876; superannuated in 1878. In joining Conference I put all there was of me into the work. went where I was sent, making no stipulations, en deavoring to do what I could to get sinners converted and build up the church - having an intense desire to see the world subdued to Christ and my brethren " faithful unto death." that they may " re ceive a crown of life."

Brown, Joseph H. - Tilton, N. H. Member of New Hampshire Conference. Commenced preaching as a Free Baptist in 1858; joined the New Hamp shire Conference in 1870; superannuated in 1889 My health is improved and improving. May Methodism never overlook its mission to " spread Scriptural holiness," for which its polity and theology so admirably adapt it! May its methods and members broaden and deepen to meet the progress of the times! I am rejoicing with "joy unspeakable and the Rock.'

Budden, J. E .- North Norway, Maine. Joined the Maine Conference in 1867; superannuated in 1886. My health has improved somewhat since I was laid aside; still, I have infirmities which will, has greatly encouraged me and helped to keep me fear, prevent my taking an effective relation again. I find the grace of God sufficient. I glory in the church for many reasons. No language suits me better than

"I love Thy kingdom, Lord,
The bouse of Thine abode;
The church our blest Redeemer saved With His own precious blood."

I read the twelfth of Romans a good deal; the tenth verse expresses my feelings towards my brethren in the ministry: " Be kindly affectioned one toward another with brotherly love; in honor preferring one

Byrne, B. B. - East Pittston, Me. Member of East Maine Conference. Joined the Maine Conference in 1843, and superannuated in 1888, after fortyfive consecutive years in the service, never having lo a Sabbath on account of iliness. I have preached this year two or three times on a Sabbath without weariness have peace in believing, and joy in the Holy Spirit. God is very merciful, my brethren very kind, and the church very dear to me. May the good Lord set ministry and membership all ablaze with the spirit of revival! When I have finished my course I hope I may be counted worthy to enter in through the gates done!

with whom I have labored in the kingdom of our The debt of gratitude I owe to Him who died to save 1886, having been in the effective ministry thirty-God, to go no more out.

W Tollies and Reading

Chandler, Henry. - Deering Centre, Me. Mem ber of New Hampshire Conference. Joined in 1853; superannuated in 1886. My health is poor. My love toward all Christians increases; but I believe Methodism is a present need. My "deepest wish" is that, in pulpit and pew, she may continue to prove her divine mission by exalting Christ and iliustrating Scriptural holiness

Chapman, George E. - Worcester, Mass. Joined the New England Conference in 1850; super annuated in 1880. My health is not firm, but my spiritual health is good - waiting the Master's call to the home above. My prayer is that the M E. Church may maintain its primitive purity and aggressive spirit, and be a refuge for the poor; and that the ministry who serve at her altars may be filled with faith and the Holy Ghost.

Chase, Charles H. - Argyle Park, Cook County. Ill. Joined the New Hampshire Conference in 1839; was made supernumerary in 1885; and superannuated in 1888. I have reached the age of 76, and my health and strength are much impaired. I wish my brethren and the church well, and hope to meet them all and spend eternity with friends and loved ones with God in glory.

with the people of God and the dear ministers of shall the receiving of them be but life from the any previous decade of my life. earlier days. Heaven bless the toilers in God's dead?" That is to the Gentile Christian Church. glad those whose days of toil are past!

Conference. Former residence, Camden, Me.; but men." I do not expect to live to see this, but "it removed to California last October for our future hasteth greatly." I am trusting in God and rejoichome, residing now at 942 Chestnut St., Oakland, ing in hope Cal. Joined the Maine Conference in 1833; superannuated in 1880. My health has steadily improved since coming to this place, so that I have been able to preach occasionally. I thank my God upon every 1849; superannuated in 1879. My state of health is remembrance of my brethren in the church and mingifts, but that we all may be "filled with all the in sympathy with the Methodist Church, its docfullness of the Gospel of Christ."

Was in the New England Conference sixteen years; carry on His work. and was returned to the New Hampshire Conference, at my own request, five years since. Superannuated six years ago, in 1885. My greatest desire ber of New Hampshire Conference. Joined the Confor the church is that it may become more and more ference in 1850; superannuated in 1885. My health fully baptized with the Holy Ghost, and perform is very poor. I am faily looking unto Jesus, and greater aggressive work for God and His cause, be- praying for the church that she may be clothed upon coming terrible as an army with banners. My desire from on high, and large numbers added of such as for my brethren in the ministry is that they may be shall finally be saved. Although I have not been l am now in my 82d year and feeble. My work is delivered to the saints," and go from house to house ence for several years, yet I have not lost my interest done, and I am just peacefully waiting, waiting, in faithful pastoral visiting, thus persuading men to in them or love for them. May God give them many be reconciled to God. In preaching, present the souls for their labors! doctrines of the church as occasion requires; Bemis, Jeremiah W. - Northfield, Vt. Date especially the doctrines of repentance, justification, closing his fiftieth year in the Conference.

prosperity. To the older brethren, whom I know per-

" We brush the dews on Jordan's banks, The crossing must be near.'

in Conference. Joined the Conference in 1848; super 1879. I loved the work of a Methodist minister. I annuated in 1890. I am now 83, and though laid the setting sun. Amen! Hallelujah! am now feeble, but resigned. The future looks aside from active work by age, my health is good, bright. I believe the best period of Methodism is to and my love for the church of my choice and for my brethren of the Conference was never stronger, ber of Vermont Conference. Joined the New Hamp and my prospect of a home in heaven never clearer. shire and Vermont Conference in 1836; superannu Glory be to God forever!

Father's presence, -

" I love Thy church, O God ! " "For her my prayers ascend."

And to the brethren I would say, may you be worthy of the holy office to which you have been called!

Colby, Joseph. - Gorham, Me. I entered the Maine Conference in 1844 and remained effective forty years. In feeble health, I am tenderly cared for by my loving and dutiful companion. My temporal needs are well supplied, and that (thanks to a kind Providence!) without Conference aid or other stinted allowance. My love to the church and ministry is as deep and ardent as ever, and I am pa tiently waiting the Master's call, "Come up

Cole, John P. - East Livermore, Me. Member of Maine Conference. Joined the Conference in 1870; superannuated in 1880. I am not able to take work because of bone sores on my leg caused by a fever eleven years ago, but the good Lord has been with me all these years of suffering, bless His name! I love my brethren in the ministry; I love the church, and am praying for her prosperity. I love poor sinners, and I love the Lord Jesus with all my

Cone, Charles Chauncey. - Bowdoinham, Me. Born in Bolton, Conn., Jan. 8, 1802. Joined the Maine Conference in 1834; served eight years as presiding elder of Portland and Lewiston Districts; Methodist Episcopal Church; twice nominated as representative to Congress; for three years agent of the American Bible Society; one year agent of the Preedmen's Aid Society; was chosen a delegate to the World's Convention at London, and to the National Conventions at Chicago and New York. Am now the oldest member of the Maine Conference, and one of the three who survive the Conference of 1834. I have taken Zion's HERALD from its beginning and was never so well pleased with it as now. Its hold and able position on the subject of temperance, woman's rights and ecclesiastical politics will prove a great blessing to the church and the world. Having aiready transcended the bounds of the admonition contained in the invitation to write, restricting the time allowed to one minute. I close with tendering my heartfelt thanks to the noble brethren who have labored so long and successfully to promote the cause of religion and the welfare of the worn out and feeble ministers of the Gospel. Heaven bless them and save them all!

Currier, John. - Montpelier, Vt. Joined the New Hampshire and Vermont Conference in 1830. Maine Conference in 1856; superannuated in 1886. New Hampshire Conference, I was made superannu-My health is very poor. My work is done, I pre- ate in 1884. My health is quite poor, but I can read sume, but my faith holds like an anchor. My trust and write without the aid of glasses. I go out but which characterized the founders and fathers of better than now; and I expect soon to meet those of the M. E. Church more than sixty-three years.

1813. My parents and grandmother were members in glory by Christ Jesus. of Bromfield St. Church, in which I was baptized in infancy by Rev. George Pickering. My first con meeting in that church. I was converted at fifteen New England Conference in 1833, when there was but one college graduate in the body, and superannuated in 1887. In the past I find much to humble me, and yet great cause of thankfulness to God. been in a transition state, but the ministry have de- she abide Scriptural in government! veloped more than the others; and I rejoice in the conviction that the young men in the ministry are ence. I rejoice in the growing prosperity of the vineyard, and the generous ones whose gifts make | Who can fully comprehend or explain this? If the present prosperity is death, what glorious exhilara tion is implied in life from the dead! Truly, it will Church, Albert .- Member of the East Maine be heaven on earth -- the "tabernacle of God with

Dixon, Rufus S .- Montville, Me. Member of Rast Maine Conference. Joined the Conference in istry, and most earnestly pray, not for worldly a little, but am not able to perform any labor. I am trines. Discipline and enterprises, and love its Great Head, my Saviour and Lord. I hope to meet all my Clark, G. W. H - St. Albans, Vt. Member of brethren in that better world, to which I soon shall the New Hampshire Conference, joining in 1841. move. I pray God to bless my Conference and

Draper, Lorenzo. - Claremont, N. H. Mem-

Dunham, Howard C. - Winthrop, Mass. sanctification, and the witness of the Spirit, and do Memter of New England Conference. Joined th: ference in 1846. Superannuated, first, in 1849, and this more or less in every sermon. Exhort with all Conference in 1838; superannuated in 1862. I am long-suffering. Please, my brethren, receive these totally blind, and feeble. For nearly sixty years my clergyman's sore throat; second, in 1862, was on the suggestions from your brother in Christ who is now relations to the M. E. Church have been pleasant to me, and the ministers especially have been dear to my heart. Well do I remember the deep veneration I felt Clark, Jonas Morton. - Northampton, Mass. when young for the fathers - such men as George Pick Member of New England Conference. Date of join- ering, Asa Kent, Lewis Bates and Francis Dane. I serve at her altars be permeated with the spirit of ing, 1848; date of superannuation, 1881. A bronchial know not how it is, but I feel the same veneration for difficulty disabled me from public speaking, which the young brethren who are putting on the Gospel arcontinues. I never received aid from the Preachers' mor for the conquest of the world for Christ. I have Aid Society, but contribute to its funds annually. I lived in a marvelous age in Church and State, and salute my brethren with ardent Christian love. My mowtarn with hope to the greater future. Brother sudaily prayer is offered for your eminent spiritual perannuates of New England, we have come to a rich estate, more valuable than a mountain of gold. Our sonally, I give my tender sympathy, and in my 75th ranks are thinning, the last sands of time are falling beneath our feet; we shall so in lay down the shepherd's crook; may it be for a crown and kingdom on high! Personally, I desire to say that I have in my soul set-

> ated in 1876. Health very poor. "He that doeth the work is blest in his deed." I was 82 years old Colby, E. K .- Gorham, Me. Member of Maine the 22d of last January. My "deep st wish for the Conference. Joined the Maine Conference in 1844; church and the ministry "is: Be like Christ. Love account of poor health, which prevents him from superannuated in 1887. Age, 79 in April, '91. 1 God and man with all the heart. Do good all your any literary work." can say, with one whom I may soon meet in the days. Have a pure heart, live a pure life. Lie low, rise high. Fear to love wealth. Work, save, give. Die poor, with no debt! .

Eastman, Hubbard, - Jacksonville, Vt. Mem

From whitened, fruitful fields, Behold, the reapers come; And bringing sheaves as sacred seals

They crown the harvest-hom They toli with tireless hand And watch with tender care;

Unceasing thanks are given or blessings from on high;

Behold with joy Immanuel's land.

And fruitage will, when ripe for heaven. Be garnered by and by.

Let ceaseless work be done. And constant care be given. Until life's dangerous road is run. And safety found in heaven.

Eastman, L. L. - Methuen, Mass. Member of New Hampshire Conference. In response to your kind invitation. I will simply say that I was received into the New Hampshire Conference in 1848, and was returned superannuate in 1879. Since that time we have resided here, in our own pleasant home, supplying vacant pulpits here at home or elsewhere, as I have been needed. I am 78 years old this day (March 12); and while I am quite infirm in body, my mind is

Member of New England Southern Conference, served as Conference steward, when we had three or wice a delegate to the General Conference of the Joined the Conference in 1861; superannuated in 1889. four hundred dollars of Conference funds to distrib-My health is slowly improving, but whether I shall be able to take work again is a question I cannot now settle. It was a great affliction to be laid aside them in fuil; then the claims of the superannuated and not mingle with my brethren in the conflict. I preachers and widows for quarterage, and the defiam finding the religion I have recommended to ciencies of those preachers who had not received their others for nearly thirty years an "anchor to my full "allowance" on their charges, and then pay as Bishop Hedding, I may say, "I have been wondersoul, both sure and steadfast."

> Eldridge, W. B., Sen. - Roslindale, Mass. ference in 1872; superannuated in 1889. For thirtyan Methodists in England, and for eighteen years an itinerant minister in America. My heart is in deep sympathy with the church on both sides of the Atlantic, and my prayer 1s, " Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity within thy palaces!

Emerson, Silas M. - Biddeford, Me. Member of Maine Conference. Joined the Conference in 1842, and after thirteen appointments, failure of health compelled me to superannuate. I loved the Vermont was made a separate Conference in 1844, For the Maine Conference my tears have fallen, my Center, Nathan D .- Bridgton, Me. Joined the and my lot fell there. Transferred in 1854 to the prayers ascended. May God continue to help both the ministry and membership

74 years, to enjoy the health I possessed when engaged always an allurement. in the active duties of the ministry; and yet I. am Cushing, Stephen. - Boston, Mass. Member grateful that my Heavenly Pather gives, not accordof New England Conference. I was born March 15, ing to human measure, but according to His riches

Estey, J. L .- Cambridge, Mass. Member of ess of need of personal religion was when, at New England Conference. Joined the church on affliction and bereavement, as also for many years an seven years of age, attending a missionary prayer- probation, under Rufus Spaulding, in 1831, at An- invalid, I have not only been comforted with the dover; was licensed at Worcester in 1835, O. Scott. at Wilbraham, became a probationer there, and six presiding elder; was in charge of the church at months later was received in full membership in Somers, Ct., in 1838, A. U. Swinerton, presiding Bromfield St. Church. I was received on trial in the elder; took orders in '41 and '47, Bishop Hedding; New England Conference, '49; superannuated, '75. Appreciation of the self-sacrifice of ministers and members held me in earliest love of the church. Her doctrines of the direct witness of the Spirit and The community, the church and the ministry have Christian perfection bound me to her fellowship. May

Fisk, Franklin. - Wilbraham, Mass. I joined now better equipped in every way for their great the New England Conference in 1836. Twenty-four of God fills my heart, and I expect soon to join the work than ever before in the history of the Confer- years ago I had a shock of paralysis. I have since lived where, more than fifty-six years ago, I found Chase, S. B - Rocky Hill, Conn. Member of church at home, and in foreign missions; and some- the three greatest blessings of my life, all of which I New England Southern Conference. Joined the times think the culmination near, when the "vail still enjoy - my academic education, my Saviour, Maine Conference in 1843, and the New England shall be taken from Israel and all Israel shall be and my wife! The last eighteen years I have eaten outhern in 1861; superannuated in 1880. My saved." What will follow? Paul says: "If the but two meals a day. The past ten years I have sufhealth is poor. My happiest days have been spent fall of the Jews was mercy to the Gentiles, what fered less, and had more physical enjoyment than in

When all Thy mercies, O my God, My rising soul surveys, Transported with the view, I'm lost In wonder, love, and praise.'

Fowler, Enoch Mudge. - Searsmont, Me. Member of East Maine Conference. I was reared in Orrington. When a boy in a school-house Sunday school, at the instance of a loving talk to me by my teacher, I promised to give Christ my heart and my whole being. At sixteen this pledge was renewed and sealed in a joyful conversion. That week, while plowing alone with an unseemly team, my feelings and thoughts were forcibly awakened toward the ference in 1860; superannuated in 1877, on account ministry. After several years of heart-struggles, I of broken health. My health during the past winter yielded, and was admitted to the Maine Conference and at present is poor indeed. A sufficient share of in 1843 (no East Maine then). I took work for the physical troubles, so liable to those who pass the thirty-four years in fields where I always found good seventleth mile-post of life, come into my daily exand true brothers and sisters. My health is better perience. Lingering here under circumstances that perthan I could expect. I attend church constantly, mit little worldly satisfaction - for how long or why and regularly meet my Sunday school class. The I do not know - comfort for the present, hope and an-Sunday-school to me is like Brother Yates' HERALD ticipation of good beyond, spring from the aboundand religion - " better and better." Some modifications and changes have come into the work, and I My despest wish for the church is that she may be so am glad of it. I don't believe in waiting for results except in the best sense - by going ahead with aith light with ever increasing brilliancy and power, in God. The best antidote against doubt and decay come victorious out of the battle here, and finally is prayer, faith, and something to do.

of New England Southern Conference. Though not plan of mercy to men, appointed by Christ to a glogreatly advanced in years. Dr. Fox is yet at present. and in fact has been for several years, in a condition of extreme physical weakness. Hence, at the request the church and the world need, as Heaven surely of his family, the writer [Rev. R. H. Howard] has demands, their best, their wisest and most persistent hereby undertaken to pen a few words at once for and endeavors. When earth's work is done, may they concerning him. Joining the New York Conference in rise to a glorious participation in the jubilee of the 1844, and superannuating in 1886, Dr. Fox at present | redeemed in heaven! resides at Fair Haven, Mass., his last Conference apintment. Dr. Fox has been a preacher of a very high order of ability, deep piety, wide usefulness, as dence. I joined N. H. Conference in 1843; superanwell as of charming personal qualities. Could be nuated in 1867. With poor health I have been able speak for himself. I am satisfied, from what I have to do something for the church every year. For my often heard him say, he would now, from the grave's self, I can say the Lord is my light and my salvaverge, most devoutly affirm his uncompromising loy- tion; and more, my faith takes hold on Him who is alty to Methodism, his ardent love of Jesus Christ able to save to the uttermost all that come unto God and of His people, and his deep thankfulness for all by Him. The Lord be praised for what He has done the tokens of kindness he has received since laid for followers of Wesley! May this whole family he aside from the beloved work of the ministry.

Fox. Samuel. - New Bedford. Mass. Member the stars of heaven, and the whole earth be envelof New England Southern Conference. Joined Con oped in millennial g'ory! ference in 1844; superannuated in 1884. Filled aptled peace, abounding joy, and undying hope. I pointments till 1890. Age, 78 years. Health fair for Cobb. John. - Gorham, Me. Member of Maine have come to the margin of the better country, and time of life. My hope of immortal life age and in H. Member of New Hampshire Conference. am on the nestern slope looking and waiting for firmities do not dim. For many years I have lived for God, His church and man, denying all other ambitions. To day my one ambition abides in strength. I pray, "Lord, let Thy kingdom come!"

> French. Luther P .- Rumford Centre. Me. Member of Maine Conference. Joined Conference in 1839; superannuated in 1887. Mrs. French writes: "Mr. French is unable to write any testimony on ners," and that Zion s Herald may live a thousand

George, N. D .- Oakdale, Mass. Member New England Conference. Converted in Great Falls, N. H., February, 1830. When the love of Christ came in Universalism tobacco and liquor were soon given up. Was an exhorter one year and local preacher four years. Joined the Maine Conference, and was ordained deacon in 1836. Was in Maine twenty years, and was transferred to the New England Conference in 1854. Superannuated in 1874. Age, 82 last June. Present experience, purpose and reason for it are found in Ps. 116: 12.

Godfrey, Alfred C. - Waterbury, Conn. Mem ber of New England Conference. Joined the Maine Conference in 1840; was transferred to the New England Conference in 1871; superannuated in 1889. My health is quite feeble at present, this being the sixth week I have been confined to the house. I am at peace with God and all mankind. I love the church of which I am a member. She is deeply graven on my heart; her success is my greatest joy. To my brethren in the ministry I will say, as John said to the beloved Gaius: " Beloved. I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health. even as thy soul prospereth.

Gordon, William. - Brookfield, Mass. Memclear, my heart is young and hopeful, and my soul is ber of New England Conference. Joined Conference resting upon the "Word of the Lord that abideth in 1834; retired from the active ministry in 1890. Served in an effective relation 56 years without a break - earlier years on circuits, afterwards on Edson, Edward. - Yarmouthport, Mass. stations, one term on a district. For several years ference in 1841; and to the Providence (now N. E. ute. The steward's duty then was to ascertain the eighty years with, and experience in, the M. E. claims of the Bishops on the Conference, and pay large a per cent. on those claims as the funds at our fully kept." disposal would allow. Occasionally we would receive small sums for the relief of cases of special necessi Member of East Maine Conference. Joined the Con. ty. When I joined in 1834 there were less than 700, 000 members of the M. E. Church in the country two years I was a local preacher among the Wesley- Now, including all the branches of Methodism, about 5,000,000. "What hath God wrought!" It is gratifying to know that so large a portion of our ministers and members who have passed away have "died well." It has been a privilege to be associated with a people God has honored with such success.

Hall, Almon E. - Williamstown, Mass. Mem. ber of New England Southern Conference. Joined Conference in 1873; superannuated in 1878. Believing in God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, ministry, the church, and all the institutions of the I have a glorious expectancy of the fulfilment of the Gospel then. Intervening years intensify that love. promises and the church's triumph. I crave for the ministry a large-hearted, sanctified manliness, that

Hall, Henry P. - Boston, Mass. Member of Enright, J. - Windsor, Vt. Member of Ver. New England Conference, Joined Conference in mont Conference. I joined the Conference in 1851; 1842; superannuated in 1846. At no time since have New Hampshire Conference. Joined Conference in was supernumerary one year, and superannuated in I been in sufficient health to take an effective rela- 1856; superannuated in 1890. Health much broken.

me, cannot be estimated. I have shared all the four years. I want, as in a love feast, to thank God me busy in pastoral service. Brethren, beloved in honer and responsibility in work assigned me which for the physical health which enabled me to prosecute the Lord, and for Him, Christ's love constrained I could endure or desire had my capacity been equal my work so long. I love the church which I have and brought me into your fellowship, and has beld to the demand. May Zion's Herald increase a labored so long to build up, and also my brethren in me in purpose and life, by example and precept, to hundred-fold, and bring joy and gladness to many a the ministry. I have never seen a time when I failed realize our possibilities toward each other and the worn-out veteran in the ministry! I hereby extend to have confidence in the doctrines and Discipline of world, and to evidence that the ministry and church my cordial greetings to all my superannuated the M. E. Church. I cannot now expect, at nearly of Christ is an example of the heavenly family, and

Hammond, Charles. - Springfield, Mass. Joined Providence Conference (now New England Southern) in March, 1849; superannuated in 1885 Present age, 72. Health fairly good; voice bad. My home is with my daughter in Springfield. In family comfort of the Holy Ghost," but also by an abiding consciousness of the sympathy and favor of the people it has been my privilege to serve. I have no words of complaint to offer concerning the church of my choice. "I love Thy kingdom, Lord!"

Hawkes, Philo. - Barnstable, Mass. Member of New England Southern Conference. Joined New England Conference in 1831; superannuated in 1885. I am comfortably well considering my age -81 years. My love to the church of my choice, its ministry and its work, was never greater. The peace innumerable company in the better land.

Hawks, Joseph. - Cambridgeport, Mass. joined the Maine Conference in 1840. Was forty-two years in the active work. My deepest wish and prayer for the church and my brethren in the ministry is, that we may so perfectly practice the Christian duty of self-denial, that we may be able to give ten millions a year for the conversion of the work

Herrick, Austin F .- Wilbraham, Mass. Member of New England Conference. Joined Conference in 1853; superannuated in 1890. Health quite infirm. My only hope for eternal life is in the atonement of Jesus Christ. My "deepest wish for the church and for my brethren in the ministry " is, that the life and power of godliness may ever abide with them

Hewes, George. - North Brookfield, Mass. Member of New England Conference. Joined Coning goodness and grace of God through Jesus Christ. blessed of God that she will reflect heaven's saving march triumphant in the grand review above. May the brethren in the ministry realize, in the fullest Fox, Henry J. - Fair Haven, Mass. Member import of the terms, that they stand in God's own rious work from which He did not withhold Himself; and hence it is their right and duty to feel that

> Hitchcock, H. - Northfield, Vt., is my resicompletely unified and baptized with the Holy Spirit, that the next generation shall multiply converts as

Hooper, Josiah. - Mill Village (Goshen), N. Joined Maine Conference in 1847: transferred to N H. Conference in 1854; superannuated in 1886. am blind, and need some one to lead me. Can see by faith my future home; it looks beautiful. I ex pect soon to move into it. My deepest wish for the Methodist Episcopal Church, including her ministry, is, that she may go forth "fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banyears to chronicle ber victories

Howard, L. - Springfield, N. H. I was born in West Bridgewater, Mass., Dec. 4, 1802. Joined the N. H. Conference, July 3, 1839, at Sandwich. N. H. Took a superannuated relation from the Conference held at Plymouth, N. H., 1879, since which time I have resided in Springfield, N. H., supplying for most of the Sabbaths the pulpit of the Union Church in this town. My association with my Methadist brothen is mostly through the church payers, by which I am able to keep in memory experiences and friends of the vanishing past. I am not altogether indifferent to the questions of the hour, expecting they will be decided about right. Best regards to Zion's HERALD and the many friends in New Hampshire.

Hubbard, W. M .- Shrewsbury, Mass. Member of New England Conference. Joined Conference in 1850; superannuated in 1888. My health is comfortable. God is good; Christ is precious; hope and joy abide. I am now only waiting till the shadows are a little longer grown for the call to come up higher. God bless the N. E. Conference! My heart's desire and prayer to God is, that all our bishops, presiding elders, ministers and people may

Husted, John B. - Watertown, Mass. Member of New England Southern Conference. A sinner, saved by grace, I joined the M. E. Church in 1818; the N. Y. Conference in 1826; was transferred to the Maine Conference in 1828; to the New England Con-Southern) Conference in 1845; was superannuated in Church, has ripened into a deepening and joyous conviction of its divine origin, and confidence in its tri umphant and glorious destiny. My heartfelt and most earnest desire is for its prosperity. With

Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.

Ingalls, J. C. - Melrose, Mass. I joined the N. E. Conference in 1846, and took a superannuated relation in 1878. About sixty years ago, when God converted my soul, He filled my heart with so much love to God and man that I hasted away about six miles to tell a classmate the story of the wonderful Jesus and His love. Would that I had a trumpet voice and power to preach Jesus, the mighty to save, in the cars of the entire world of sinners lost! Five times I seemed to be passing through the valley of the shadow of death without fear. Once I thought I was almost over the river of death, when suddenly Jesus stood before me and smiled upon me, and in one minute I was perfectly cured of typhoid fever and pneumonia. Glory be to this wonderful Healer of soul and body!

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the church of the living God. I esteem it above my chief earthly joy, for, under God, it has made me all I am of worth. And how ingfield, Mass. can I do other than love God's (Methodist) W New England nuated in 1885. ministers ardently? They have always been ; voice bad. My field. In family o patient with me, and treated me most r many years an the King's business with these glorious men; forted with the and the King Himself never appeared so so by an abiding lovely, and never was more precious to me, d favor of the than now; the Divine Comforter never imrve. I have no parted to me more freely of the things of ng the church of Christ - His love, joy, peace, and infinite Lord!" fullness of blessing. I am happy in God-Mass. Member ference. Joined glorious hope of immortality! Hallelujah!

> Judd, Burtis. - South Framingham, Mass. Joined the New England Conference in 1850. Superannuated in 1877. Am in year. I am unable to do any work. I love the church of my choice.

> > " For her my tears shall fall, For her my prayers ascend."

Kidder, William J - Northfield, Vt. prayer of St. Paul for the church at Philippi: the saints in light. Amen! This I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all ndgment; that ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ; being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ unto the glory and praise

Lee, Daniel. - Caldwell, Kansas. Memher of the N. H. Conference. Entered that Conference in the summer of 1831; superannuated in 1850. Hearing impaired; eyesight perfect; physical health and strength well reserved considering my age — 84; though I have some bodily ailments that may modify for Jesus, and glad to be allowed so great a privilege. Glad, also, to hear from so many of His honored veterans; but God forbid that I should boast save in " Him who loved me, and gave Himself for me!" This is startling A hundred old circuit-riders, far apart, yet together - not a horse among them all - at an old time love-feast! How are you, brothers? Bless the Lord! "We are happy on the way, and it is better on before." Brethren, sing! All sing! Sing the Doxology! It was never more in place. You and I are greater debtors to grace to-day than ever before. The Lord reigneth; let the earth rejoice, let the multitude of the isles thereof be glad." Brethren, you will believe me when I say that for all things, for He is able to supply! Methodism is inexpressibly dearer to me to day than when she first smiled upon me, filling my heart with joy. I have no words What shall this child be ? "

Loomis, F. A. - East Greenwich, R. I. Joined Providence Conference (now New Enthe eyes. Have preached by appointment of to be right, and I hate every false way presiding elder and Conference as opportuni- (Ps. 119: 128). ty and strength permitted. Believe in a by and strength permitted. Believe in a physically vigorous as well as an intelligent and spiritual ministry, to voice the truth in Member of East Maine Conference. Joined the above Conference in 1878, and superanform to the highest models of Christian civno solution to the problems that trouble and abides the same. My hope of heaven and devex mankind. With full confidence that the sire for the church are undiminished. Each ministry and laity, men and women, by doc- morning and evening my brethren on Zion's trine, discipline and life, will be found equal walls are especially remembered in secret to any test or crisis, I sail on without any prayer. fear of the wreck of the vessel whose crew kindly received me among their number more than fifty years ago. Though natural Conn. I joined the New England Confer-I live as seeing Him who is not seen; and bethen and now, my Saviour from sin.

ence. I have been in the city of Haverhill usual of late. I am daily pressing on for aside with nervous disease, which has been year, and almost entirely deaf. gradually increasing for several years. I am able to be about, and have walked out a little way in pleasant weather, but lie on the lounge most of the time. I first joined the Maine Conference in 1844. At our last Conference was made superannuated. I suffer a great deal, but my trust is in the Lord.

in 1835 at Norwich, Conn. Joined New En- "We know that if our earthly house of this and many books. Pray for the peace of gland Conference from clearest conviction in tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building Jerusalem! 43; superannuating in '85 with just as clear of God, a house not made with hands, eternal conviction. Reside in Jacksonville, Fla., for in the heavens. For in this we groan, earwife's sake solely, on whose health itinerat- nestly desiring to be clothed upon with our ing life has told severely. Regrets over house which is from heaven " (2 Cor. 5). fective service leave me sweetly trusting in Christ alone, but I never regret unhesitat ingly renouncing highly tempting secular prospects for the ministry. My daily prayer for the ministers is, that they may be vastly

Marcy, Ichabod. - 22 Quincy St., Somerville, Mass. I joined the New England Conference in 1841, and was placed on the only able to go to church and hear one ser-

would gladly go through it again, doing it comfort you all! nore successfully. I am living by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himnecessful labor; and for the younger men, 1872. Health very poor. grace to improve their opportunities and meet their responsibilities to God and the world.

Yes, brethren, I am at home in a Methodist year supplied the small society of North pray that they may do their best to take this brethren in the ministry is the same as for love-feast, and I think I speak truly when I Cohasset, Ma s.; was licensed to preach by world for Christ. say I love God supremely and His people fer- the Readfield quarterly conference while a vently; and I cannot tell how much I love student at the Kent's Hill Academy, by Rev. Charles Baker, presiding elder of Readfield ber of New Englan 1 Southern Conference. District, and in 1834 was ordained deacon at My desire for the church is, that she may be New Haven, Conn., by Bishop James O. powerful as a pure and holy influence in the I joined the New Hampshire and Vermont Andrew. Joined the Illinois Conference in world; that her ministry may be faithful in Conference at its first session at Barre, Vt., 1838, and was ordained there at its session at the work assigned them, and successful in June, 1830; superannuated in 1867. My Alton, Ill., by Bishop Joshua Soule, and for winning souls to Christ and strengthening health is as good as could reasonably be exkindly. For over thirty-five years I have four years was stationed at McKendree Col-traveled the King's highway, and gone on lege. Then was transferred by Bishop Morris to the New England Conference in 1841, and sent to East Boston, organizing the first M. I joined the New Hampshire Conference in and hope through Christ to obtain a mansion E. Church there; 1842 and after was stationed successively at Ashburnham, South Boston, Roxbury, Lynn Common, Dorchester, East work of chore boy. I preach occasionally. Cambridge, Saxonville; and then at Concord, N. H., for fourteen years; then was stationed my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom souls to Christ, and at last receive an unfadpart of the time triumphant. Grace abounds at Quincy Point, Southampton and Ludlow; I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of ing crown! more and more. My hope also is full. O in 1873 took a supernumerary relation to the my salvation, and my high tower." My New England Conference, and preached at greatest wish for the church is, universal em-Bow, N. H.; in 1874 was superannuated, and pire - "the heathen for an inheritance, and has been an occasional supply since to 1891, the ultermost parts of the earth for a posses-From 1818 to date he has been a member of sion." For the brethren in the ministry I the M. E. Church, and ought and might have wish timely and abundant support, joy and business, in name only. Am in my 74th been a Christian four years or more before triumph in their work, and the conquerors' that time, as he was often, after he was five palms and the victors' crowns - the reward years old, deeply awakened. He is glad he of the faithful. is a member of the M. E. Church, though he wishes heartily he was a better one, and had been a better Christian minister. He loves Joined Providence Conference in 1866; superthe doctrines, experience, institutions, and Member of Vermont Conference. Joined work of this church; and his "deepest wish church and ministry seem parts of myself by the New Hampshire Conference in 1831. On for the M. E. Church and its ministry" is their conversion, growth and association. Noth- ern) Conference in 1851; first superannuated the division of the Conferences my appoint. spotless holiness and their extension through ing but best of wishes crown the choicest of for the years 1863 and 1864; again in 1888. ment was in the Vermont. Superannuated all nations of the Gospel to the end of the memories. in 1869. I enjoy comfortable health for a world. His prayer is, that he may attain, man 81 years old. My deepest wish for the with his aged and worn-out brethren in the

and hope to meet them all in heaven.

Mooar, Joseph.—Hyde Park, Mass. I joined the Maine Conference in 1855; superannuated in 1872. My deepest wish for the church is, that its entire ministry may go person 85 years old could reasonably expect. my continuance in life. For about nine years forth so baptized with the Holy Ghost and I can do but very little; my work is nearly Christ.

> nuated first in 1877, and was made effective ence. Joined the New Hampshire Conference in 1880. In 1888 again superannuated, and in 1837; superannuated in 1878. My health have supplied this year at Morrill and Knox, is good, and I am ready to work for God and Maine. Quite well till lately, I have been humanity anywhere. I am fervently praying very sick, but hope to be better soon. I do that the church may be a "conscientious, not think I shall be able to take work another courageous, and helpful" people of God, year. I have a little means—about \$1,000 having a holy ministry and a spotless mem-— but it costs a good deal to live. I am in the hands of Conference, and they can do with me as they think best. I know I am the Lord's, and He is mine. I can trust Him

to express or measure her benedictions, and good; residence, Old Orchard, Me. Joined ooking at her possibilities, I ask in wonder, Maine Conference in '41; superannuated in '89. Busy, happy, sailing in crystal waters, sighting Immanuel's land.

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Phelps, Benjamin C. - Vernon Depot, being several years a supernumerary. I am sight is feeble and strength much weakened, ence in 1834. When the Conference was divided, I fell into the New England Southern. lieving in His word, the experience of the Superannuated in 1871. I long to see the past is the experience of the present - Christ, church in earnest preaching the Gospel to the poor, "spreading Scriptural holiness" through the land, and keeping the command Lunt, A. R. - Member of Maine Conferments of God. My health is now better than with my daughter since last December, laid "all the fullness of God." I am in my 81st

Pierce, Lozien. - Moodus, Conn. Born. Dec. 11, 1804, in Patridgefield, now Peru, not for about ten years. I am interested in Mass. (since 1806). Was soundly converted May, 1826. Joined the New England Conference in 1835, having supplied the previous hope to meet them in heaven. My time is year. Health good, but very lame. I love God with all my heart, with all my soul, and Manning, Edward A .- Was converted with all my mind. With Paul I can say:

Member of Maine Conference. I was born year. I have always loved the church and in Hardwick, Vt., July 18, 1807. Converted ministry, and never better than now. I have in September, 1826. Preached my first sermon in the old Court House in Craftsbury, Vt., July 15, 1827. Joined the New England Conference, July, 1828, and was transferred know now as I shall be able to attend this year. to the Maine Conference, meeting that Con- as I am so poorly. My first appointment was ference for the first time at its session at in Cape Elizabeth, including three Sabbath superannuate list in the year 1887. I am Vienna, Aug. 14, 1828. Have attended every Conference but one since. Have spent al- Beach, Cape Elizabeth, where I spent three mon, and take a Bible class in Sunday-school.
I should regard it as my greatest privilege broke down in 1880, having had four severe could I be with my brethren in the active surgical operations, and I was obliged to take work, but am now to be content, for the little a superannuate relation, which relation I time that remains, to do what I may in the have held since. My general health is very society to which I am attached as a super- good. I attend church, and generally prayer-meeting, every Sabbath, and enjoy the labors of my pastor, Rev. J. M. Frost. Mather, James. Hyde Park, Mass. Am happy in God and bound for heaven. 1 Would that the entire church, ministry and oined what is now the New England never loved the cause of Christ and the doc-Southern Conference in 1844, and superantrine and Discipline of the M. E. Church bet-perfect love! Amen and amen! nuated in 1890, making forty-six years with- ter than now. I have resided at 9 Willis St., out a break. My health is good considering Portland, Me., for nearly five years. Brothmy age. I greatly miss my loved work, and er superannuates, All hail! God bless and

Rice, James S. - A resident of Pownal, self for me. My wish for the church is, con- Me. Joined the Maine Annual Conference of Stant growth, in numbers, power and purity. the M. E. Church in 1836; located in For my brethren yet effective, many years of 1846; re-admitted in 1858; superannuated in

Sheffield, John F. - 29 Coit Street, Norwich, Conn. Member of New England South-Merrill, John Wesley .- Concord, N. H. ern Conference. Joined the Providence Conember of New England Conference. Be- ference, April, 1848; superannuated, April, 1890. came a member of the Methodist Church at The third attack of la grippe almost used up ten years of age, at Barre, Vt., 1818; a class- my vital powers. I have improved of late, and the Maine Conference in 1833; transferred to cader, and was verbally licensed to exhort to the joy of my soul have preached the blessed New England Conference in 1845; superan-

Sherman, J. H .- Vernon, Conn. Mem-

Smith, Charles H .- Sandown, N. H. 1853; superannuated in 1887. I have recently

Smith, H. S. - North Easton, Mass annuated in 1888. Health indifferent. The

church and ministry may be expressed in the ministry, a meetness for the inheritance of Colorado. Member of Maine Conference. Joined New England Conference in 1869; heart I am with them. transferred to Maine Conference in 1870; ordained deacon in 1871, elder in 1873, super-Mitchell, Barnet M.-Calais, Me. Mem- annuated in 1884. My health is much im ber of East Maine Conference. Joined the proved, and I am now preaching nearly every Maine Conference in 1842; superannuated in Sabbath. The glorious Gospel and the pres-1885. Am 81 years old, but am able to attend ence of Christ grow more precious every day. church most every Sunday and some evening My deepest wish for the church is, that her spring of 1883. Health feeble. Long may prayer meetings. I never loved the church ministry and membership may be in constant better than now. May God enlarge her bor- and conscious communion with God, burdened ders! I love my brethren in the ministry, for souls, and, in daily life, a model of purity, unselfishness and zeal!

quietly waiting the Master's call.

Stone, Jesse. - North Berwick, Maine. Member of Maine Conference. Was admitted to Conference in 1824; superannuated Munger, Charles. - Age 71; health in 1868. In the Lord I put my trust; His presence is still with me; His service is my delight. My daily prayer is for the prosperity of the church and the triumph of the Gospel.

Thompson, James O. - Keyser, West Va. Member of New England Southern Conference. Joined Maine Conference in in 1871; superannuated in 1883. Health infirm, but am able to work some most days form to the highest models of Christian civ- nuated in 1889. 1 rejoice that while Confer- for the church, ministry and membership, ilization, without which, I believe, there is ence relationships change, my Father's love that they may have the experience mentioned in Eph. 5: 26, 27.

Thurston, James. - Dover, N. H. I joined the Maine Conference in 1838; was transferred to New Hampshire Conference in 1848; became superannuated in 1887, after trying to do my duty as a Christian, a classleader, trustee and Sunday-school teacher. Do not preach, though I think I could. Health comfortable. I write this on my 75th birthday, March 12, 1891.

Tilton, Rufus, - Derry, N. H. Member of New Hampshire Conference. Joined Conference in 1839; superannuated in 1859, but was made effective in 1860; again superannuated in 1876. Bodily health fair for my age - 79 last January. I am badly crippled - cannot walk without crutches, and have all that pertains to the Gospel of Christ, especially Methodism. I love my brethren, and occupied in reading, as I am unable to do any work. I take great pleasure in reading the HERALD, Advocate, Review, and other papers.

Turner, Alpha. - Cape Elizabeth Depot, Me. Member of Maine Conference. Commenced preaching in 1842 under Presiding Elder G. F. Cox; joined Conference in 1851; Randall, Daniel B. - Portland, Me. superannuated in 1887; feeble most all the been present at the opening of every Conference for forty-eight years, with one exception, being then detained by a funeral. I do not appointments, and my last was Bowery

Vinton, Charles H .- Wilbraham, Mass. Member of New England Conference. Joined Conference in 1860; superannuated in 1883. The physical man is yet very feeble, but the spiritual man is strong in God and aboundng in the glorious triumphs of grace divine. membership, were in the full enjoyment of

Wardwell, L. D. - Pembins, North Dakota. Member of East Maine Conference Joined Conference in 1850; superannuated in 1885. My most ardent desire for the church is, that it may be saved from a conformity to the world. For my brethren To me "Christ crucified" is "the power of God and the wisdom of God." I am waiting near the crossing.

Webster, M. P. - Leominster, Mass. Member of New England Conference, Joined while a student at Wesleyan Academy, Wil-braham, 1828; and in 1829 was regularly choice. I believe that no better people live health failing. My love for the church of my choice is unabated, and I prefer her Rev. John Lindsay, and in the winter of that Methodist Episcopal Church. I earnestly above my chief joy; and my love for my

my own father's sons.

Wells, Dennis,-Wardsboro, Vs. Mem pected in my 88th year. Our Heavenly Father has been, and still is, wonderfully good to us. We unhesitatingly trust Him for this life, in the world to come. My most earnest recovered from sickness. I am equal to the wish for the laity and ministry of the church is that they may be filled with the Holy "The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and Spirit, be successful in their efforts to win

Wentworth, Lewis. - Member of East Maine Conference. Joined Maine Confer ence in 1845; superannuated in 1864. Health poor - unable to perform any remunerative labor. My earnest wish and prayer for the church and my brethren in the ministry is, that they may all be filled with the fullness of erlasting Arms, and find Christ au all-suffi-

White, Lorenzo. - North Wilbraham. Mass. Member of New England Conference. Joined Providence (now New England South-The Gospel never looked more glorious: I am most happy in still trying to publish it in Sprague, Ira G. -- Colorado Springs, such ways as are open to me. I gladly welcome my younger brethren to the front. In

Willis, Dyar. - Residence, Wolcott, Vt.; address, Elmore, Vt. Joined the New Hampshire Conference in 1843 on trial; was r dained and received into the Vermont Conference in full in 1845; superannuated in the the M. E. Church live to spread Scriptural holiness! Long may there be a holy ministry in the M. E. Church to lead the van in spreading the holiness of God and the conversion of sinners in the world!

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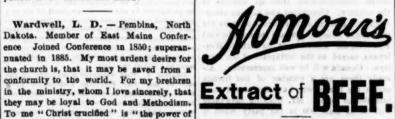


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OUR CONFERENCE SESSIONS.

Annual Conferences, so interesting to '90. There is another way of viewing at hand. From humble beginnings, the last twenty years. For example, when Wesley gathered about him a we may divide the period into subhandful of lay preachers to consider divisions of five years each: the methods of promoting evangelization, the Conference has become an imposing and important assemblage, dealing with the most delicate questions and the highest interests of humanity. The outside, not less than the members of these organizations, await with interest their annual return. periods, showing a decline of \$8,000. As the ranchmen say, the Conference of the results; it is the period for con- follows: sidering the losses and for the joyful celebration of the gains as in a harvest song. Standing on the dividing line, its members can survey the past and anticipate the future.

To the preachers the sessions have always had a peculiar interest and sig- likewise shows a greater decline when nificance. They come to render an compared with the second half of the account of the closing campaign, and first decade: to receive fresh orders for an advance into the enemy's country. They unite to celebrate victories achieved, and to gather inspiration for higher endeavor and daring. Of course it is a season of rare fellowship and joy. For the hour the sickle is laid upon the shoulder and the sheaves are told at the threshing floor. Toil and trial are forgotten, as the harvesters, who had seldom seen each other for a twelvemonth, join in the song and shout of gladness and exultation. It is a fellowship in high purpose. It is the joy of those who have won through labor and self-denial for Christ's sake

There are features in these annual and individuals. sessions hardly less interesting to the nual session is the centre of Conference operations, the golden mile-stone, as it were, from which all the ways diverge and to which they all return. This fact will always lend to these gatherings a peculiar interest. They are something more than congratulatory assemblies; they are centres of power and action. From them go forth the armies of Christ to subdue opposition and to reduce the world to His obedi-

If these things be true, the Conference session must be a unifying centre. The ministers are drawn to each other by common interests and responsibilities. In working together for a week, they are able to appreciate each other's temper and methods, and are the better prepared to move out on common lines. The introduction of laymen to the Annual Conferences - a measure not far off - will widen the fellowship and give to the Conference greater importance as a compacting agency. Lay and cleric will then act together and realize the value of mutual suggestion

In early days the Conference was the focus of revival influences. The brands were brought to the common hearth and fanned to fresh flame. Conversion of souls was the grand objective, and the results were often highly encouraging. The danger to-day is that the spiritual will be put in the background. Let those in charge of the devotional department push the religious work and do the utmost to rende these sessions occasions of spiritual profit to the preachers and people. A baptism of the Spirit at Conference i an excellent preparation for the work of the year. From the early Conferences the preachers often went out to kindle the flame through all their circuits. The return of such incidents would be a happy omen for the work

THE RELATIVITY OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Richard S. Storrs, D. D., of Brooklyn, sources: on "The Relative Modern Decline in the Intensity of Zeal for Foreign Mis- 1881-'85, \$1,345,883.98 sions," is awakening new attention to 1886-'90, 1,196,745.73 the subject in its comparative aspects. ary society, affirmed that the relative decline had been manifest since the 1890, \$249,402.36. close of the war, and especially in the last fifteen, ten, or eight years. He the churches and individuals. Be-

"The Presbyterian Board of Missions, with try, meets the same difficulties which we have try, meets the same difficulties which we have been meeting and are. The great Methodist communion, with its organization, which is one of the marvels of modern Christian history, and with six or eight times as many communicants as we have in the Congregational communion, raises with great effort \$1,500,000 a year for home and foreign missions combined, or just about the same amount which we in the Congregational Church are accustomed to raise. . It is

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\$4,369,33 All these figures concerning the Boston churches include the contributions from the Woman's Board, in addition to the contributions from churches

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The controversy within the American laity than to the ministry. In them Board began in 1882 at the meeting in they witness the massing of the pas- Portland, and from that time until tors, as well as the progress of the the present the discussion has affected work. A part of the business which Boston and vicinity more than the deeply interests both orders is the country. Has the controversy caused assignment of work for the year - a the decrease in gifts? Dr. Storrs seemed feature in which our church differs to think that the full explanation is from all un-Methodistic bodies. In given by the general facts relating to other organizations the pastors are the state of the country and the placed one by one; but the itinerancy churches of all denominations. He, a requires the simultaneous re-adjustment | master of style, employed what the of relations for the entire clerical force. Hebrew rhetoricians called "antithetic The men are not independent entities. parallelism." He repeated with em-No one stands alone. Each is part of phasis his positive statement, by conan army which, in order to the best tradicting its opposite in a way calcuresults, must move together. The an- lated to stimulate continued contro-

versy rather than to allay it: -" Sometimes I hear it said that if person prejudices could be consulted, personal differ-ences, or animosities even, could be reconciled and removed, then we should have clear sail-ing before us; that if certain particular ing before us; that if certain particular individual changes could be made here or there, in committees, perhaps then we should have free grace and be glorified. . . In my judgment, all this talk, from first to last, is the most preposterous nonsense that ever got uttered in human speech."

He and we are sufficiently familiar know that personal bias and administrative differences become obstructive to progress. In missionary and philanthropic societies they repress beneferroneous policy on the slavery question and a refusal to heed criticism which divided the constituency of the missionary society in 1846 - a society that exists still and is in its most proserous period. Within the last ten or welve years two secretaries of national Congregational societies have been compelled to give way to their suchave had to yield to the inevitable. These changes have occurred, for personal and administrative reasons alone, in the American Home Missionary Society, in the American Congregational Union, the American Missionary Association, and the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society. In each instance the effect has been to procure peace and progress otherwise unobtainable. Similar changes in the pastorate for similar reasons are more or less constant. Pastors are asked to vacate

to prevent a division of the church into two wings or organizations. Dr. Storrs further said : -

"Legacies are more likely to keep their level than contributions, with such a state of secular indifference pervading, dominating and manacing the shurch itself."

This is the actual fact in the history of the Board of which he is the president, in the comparative contributions volume entitled, "Through Death to Life," The recent address in Boston of Rev. during the last decade from all is usued by the publishers, Silver, Burdette

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made denominational comparisons as tween the last five years of the its more powerful organization to impress its period covered by the controversy, efforts on the Presbyterian mind of the country there has been a loss of about \$50,000 there has been a gain from legacies and Street. the Woman's Board of \$284,245.99. The annual contributions of the Woman's Board have advanced from \$102,037.69 church are accustomed to raise. . . It is difficult sometimes to keep the level of contributions where it was two or three or five years ago. We do not find it as much so as they do in other communions."

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Members. Increase. Total Increase 418,564 *500,000 34.232 The churches in Boston have increased from 6,893 in 1873 to 9,689 in 1890 - or

We are disposed to think that Dr.

ciently, for the general situation in the several denominations. Wealth, numbers, materialism, and relative want of beneficence have increased. As was publicly stated, the death of a few large givers such as Alpheus Hardy and Deacon Farnsworth, accounts for a part of the falling off in the local receipts of the American Board. But to suppose that such a controversy as the Congregational churches and the American Board have been passing through has had a neutral or favorable effect upon contributions, is to impose a tax on credulity. When the rhetorical orator so declares, the logic of history and probability contradicts him. A few churches in Boston and vicinity have increased their gifts for tages. This is true, and known to be true. The general periodic result hereabouts is a declension in gifts, as the tables given in this editorial abun-The decline is where criticism has are financially unable. located it. We leave the matter as an open question for those more immediately concerned, whether the controversy, the "personal prejudices," personal differences and animosities,'

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account for the facts. Unless there is

a unique species of human nature in

Congregationalism, we should hardly

regard the problem as an open ques-

tion. In the interests of the exchequer

further controversy ought to be invited.

The whole situation is made interesting

and instructive to Methodism and other

denominations by Dr. Storrs himself.

- For "personal mention" our readers will be greatly interested in "The Superar nuates' Love feast" on the second page.

- Rev. J. W. Hamilton, D. D., spoke a the memorial service held at New Bedford in honor of the late Judge Robert C. Pitman. He also ad iressed the Congregational Preachers Meeting on Monday, on the admission women to the General Conference.

and appreciative article in Our Day for March on "John Wesley, Evangelist and Re-

- Mr. Shebnah Rich, of Salem, delivered with the history of controversies to a lecture recently in the Essex Institute Free Course on "The Synod of Dort." A full abstract of the lecture appears in the Salem pa

- Hugh Price Hughes is very much like John Wesley in preaching directly against icence. We recall what Dr. Storrs the great public sins of the age. The theme seemed to have forgotten. It was an which he announced for a recent Sabbath was, "The Wickedness of the Opium Trade." - The attention of our readers is especially invited to the able contribution from the pen American Board and led to a new of Mrs. Isabella Webb Parks, on the 6th page. Mrs. Parks is the wife of Prof. Ed ward Parks, of Gammon Theological Seminary, and eminent as a writer and labo

temperance and social reform. - Apropos of our exhaustive résumé la week of the life and work of Abel Stevens, is the following item in the last issue of the essors. One district secretary of a Christian World, London: "Many a time national society and one State secretary when I am discouraged in my work," said Dr. Parker, at the City Temple, on Thursday, 'I read part of Stevens' 'History of Method

Dr. D. C. Knowies "is doing remarkably well under the circumstances." Mrs. Knowles is at the hospital, and is privileged to spend some hours every day with her husband. Dr Knowles is most graciously sustained in spirit. "I have lost my foot," he was heard to say, " but I have kept my faith."

- Miss Lydia F. Richardson, of Connect cut, started for Alaska as a missionary of the W. H. M. S., Monday, March 23. She has been superintendent of a State Industrial School for girls several years, and goes to Jesse Lee Home at Unalashka. This will be of London: a great and long-needed rehef for Mrs. Tuck,

second edition of Rev. Dr. Reuen Thomas' & Co., of this city. Dr. Thomas is a welcome contributor to these columns. This volume is heartily recommended to our readers as one of the most scholarly, able and devont treatises on "St. Paul's Great Resurrection Chapter." Our ministers will find this book especially suggestive and refresh ing.

- Those who would examine the best con tributions on John Wesley should read Hugh teristic paragraph : -

"Newman sought refuge in the infalli-bility of the church. Others have tried to build upon the infallibility of the Bible. But Wesley founded himself upon the infallibility of Christ. He was able, therefore, to attach

-Mr. Richard G. Moulton, whose profound and brilliant lectures are making such Donations are supposed to be from the churches and individuals. Between the last five years of the decade 1880–'90 and the first five years of the same decade, the period covered by the controversy, there has been a loss of about \$50,000. Since 1887, the donations have advanced from \$227,010.58 to \$249,402.36 in 1890. In the period between 1881–'90 there has been a gain from legacies and street. impression upon scholarly circles in this

> - The Pantuxet Valley Gleaner, Phenix, R. I., contains the following note:

> "Rev. S. H. Day, pastor of the Methodist Church, has received a unanimous invitation to a large church in Morgantown, West Vir announcement is a source of deep regret to the members of the church here. The recent action of the quarterly conference asking that Mr. Day be returned for another year, and a prosperous and happy year was confi dently expected as a result of were putting forth to interest and instruct the the young people of the church and congre-

- "I took," said Luther, "for the symbol of my theology a seal on which I had en-The cross is black, to indicate the sorrows even unto death through which the Christian must pass; but the heart preserves its natural color, for the cross does not extinguish nature, it does not kill, but gives life. Justus Storrs accounted, correctly and suffi- Ade vivet sed Ade crucifix. The heart is placed in the midst of a white rose, which signifies the joy, peace, and consolation which faith gives; but the rose is white, and not red, because it is not the joy and peace of the world, but of spirits."

plied Trafton. "Well," said Torsey, "you they facetiously badgered each other. We monumental heroes of New England Method-

ism. Our readers will be happy to learn that they are in quite comfortable health, especially Dr. Trafton. Dr. Torsey still suffers not a little from neuralgia and rheumatism.

BRIEFLETS.

The Northwestern Christian Advocate of last week is a number of very great interest because the addresses reported in our Chicago etter, as delivered by President Rogers, Dr. J. M. Buckley and Bishop Warren, are printed in full.

The pressure upon our columns is embarrassingly great, and will increase especially luring the coming weeks, when large space will necessarily be yielded to reports of the proceedings of the patronizing Conferences. This will explain the unavoidable delay in the publication of the great volume of une ontributions that are received at our office

What a beautiful thing is spiritual sym-John Wesley: -

"I believe tenderness and steadiness are seldom planted by nature in one spirit. But what is too hard for Almighty grace? This an give strength and softness to able to fill your soul with all firmpe well as with all gentleness.

We heartily join Rev. John Wesley, our honored founder, in the following sincere and earnest breathing of his soul: "Unity and holiness are the two things I want among the Methodists. Who will rise up with me against all open or secret opposers of one or the other?" Why should "unity" and "holiness" be dissevered in "our beloved Method sm?" It must be the lack of "holiness that will bring about a lack of " unity.'

The influence of the press, when fearlessly used to rebuke wrong, is seen in the case of Sir Charles Dilke, who presumed that his lapse into social sin had been condoned by the English people during the few short years in which he had retired from the public gaze. But on the announcement that he proposed to return to Parliament, Editor withering phrase: "It is not lawful for thee; " and the English public are aroused to indignation at the fresh revelation by Mr

The League Excursion, originated by Rev. J. T. Docking, of Boston University, has been taken up by the Methodists of America with much enthusiasm. The organizer inmense correspondence from all sections of not unscriptural or improper, and it ought not the country. Clergymen and laymen everybe prohibited by any church law, least of all by where are making arrangements to cross the leys. Canada will be well represented. Al- m ready there are a number of our friends across the border who have announced their to be represented in the General Conference intention of going. Mr. Docking says there by one of their own official body who is a woman, and the elected member consents, will be at least 500 in the party when it

Interesting as is very much that appears in this issue, we are assured that "The Superannuates' Love-feast," on the seco will have most grateful and tender interes for our readers. We are happily reminded of the words recently uttered by Dr. Parker.

"Looking forward to my Sunday work, often with a heavy heart, I take down, not the last number of the most brilliant monthly

— We are very happy to announce that a second edition of Rev. Dr. Reuen Thomas' volume entitled, "Through Death to Life," is usued by the publishers, Silver, Burdette my discouragements and baca superschers my discouragements and baca superscheraft with what early Methodist preachers pared with How direct they were could sing a pared with what early Methodist preachers had to cope with. How direct they were, how loyal to Christ, how they could sing at midnight! Records of that kind must no

Mr. Franklin Rand sends the following

me great injustice. In your excellent article on Abel Stevens, you attribute to me the fol-lowing "utterance, more than once repeat-'I believe in Jesus Christ, and in It is true that I al ways believed in Abel Stevens, but it could one of the occasions to which I presume you one of the occasions to which I presume you allude, I said that the Herallo was now a better paper than it had ever been; but to avoid reflecting on the previous editors, I added, "and so it ought to be, for it costs a great deal more money." Abel Stevens' administration was marked by his long and able and eloquent editorials, mostly on religious and Methodistic subjects. He had a great salery, and no paid editorial assistance

TWO SUGGESTIONS

Dear Fathers and Brethren of the New En-gland Conference: —

One of your brethren took the liberty of eminding you last week that at our approachng session we are to be confronted by a most perplexing problem. He asked that all would give it serious and prayerful attention so that we might reach a just and harmoious conclusion. Having complied with the bring forward for your consideration two suggestions.

our sisters remain as heretofore eligible to the with us. graved a cross, with a heart in its centre. Lay Electoral Conference, leaving the only new question, that of their eligibility to the General Conference, entirely apart for later consideration, we shall take a long step oward a happy issue out of all our troubles Unanimity at this point will wonderfully free our minds of all partisan bias and prejudice, and make it easy to discuss all remaining points in mutual brotherly confidence and

And why may we not all unite in this? The arguments against the admission of wom-- Dr. H. P. Torsey is the guest of Rev. R. en to the General Conference do not apply to L. Greene, D. D. In a most welcome visit to this question. The Lay Electoral Conference this office, Dr. Mark Trafton, his life-long is not one of the governing bodies of the Church. Wonderfully gifted in prayer, and friend, chanced to come in for a greeting. church. It is simply a rarely occurring meet-The play of repartee between these two re- ing of designated representatives of the laity vered and brilliant conversationalists was very to select lay governors. All civilized govenjoyable to a group of listeners. It began in ernments permit even wards, provided they this wise: After the usual salutations, Dr. are not very young children, to have some and a daughter who was married into our Torsey said: "Mark, you never got mad voice in the selection of their guardians. To ministry, show the strength and fervor of Washe Bogers, of Northwestern University, with me but once." "That is untrue," re- deny our sisters the possibility of ever being their father's affection for the church of his were greatly agitated within." "You had is one thing; but to go so far beyond this as be otherwise? Death, after such a life, is only a chorus of sweet singers, three hundred better drop that subject." answered Trafton, to add that not one of their number shall a coronation. for you are not anxious to have this crowd ever, under any circumstances, have even the Our good friend, Rev. Philip Germond, of entrances of the magnificent building were to undertake.

dantly prove. No theory of explana- His sight is impaired, and he is unable to tered the body but by the invitation and on ful, considerate, and then when you think of away. Standing-room was at a premium tion for the entire country, the several read or do the intellectual work which is so the formally expressed wish of men. It was Bro. Germond, earnest, faithful, courteous, The audience was typically Methodistic. denominations, and the Congregational characteristic of him. He left at the office, the act of men that placed them there. To such a proceeding is not to be wondered at. There was a happy intermingling of Method cline in the donations from individuals sum to supply Zion's Herald to some of it is not best that they should be there, it get them; others deserve them and get them; be a spirit of unity everywhere pervasive and churches in Boston and at large. the many who would be glad to receive it, but would be the thing. But to declare by a su- and in this case Bro. Germond is most fortuexpression of caprice and distrust.

> Can we not, will we not, all say: Christ's authority, voiced through men and Electoral Conference, and by Christ's authority, voiced through men and ratified by women, they shall there remain? Now for the other question - the eligibility

I favor it? That depends. I do not favor it on any such grounds as those brought forward by many of its foremost advocates It would be an inexpressible calamity to have the women come in on Jacobin principles. On the other hand, it would be an inestimable plessing to have them come in on Scriptural

What do I mean? I have not time or space here and now to tell. In a series of articles, of which I sent the first to the Christian Advocate yesterday, and which is entitled, "The Episcopal Church," I hope to convey a portion of my thought. Here I can only ask you to read over, and think over, and pray over, and talk over, the following: -

Whereas, in His moral government God is no respecter of persons; and Whereas, in Christ Jesus there can be neither sew nor Greek, there can be neither bond no

Version]; and reas, in the Christian Church, the Paul is forever calling aloud to every son Timothy: I charge thee in the sight of God, and Christ

hings without prejudice, doing nothing by partiality;" and Whereas, according to the Word of God Adam Whereas, according to the same supreme au ity, the head of the Christian family is, not mother

and father, but father and mother; and Whereas, the church, like the family, should sustained, developed and administered by men and Whereas, forgetfulness of these divine teach

ings is at the bottom of the great dissension now men of any quarterly conference elect to be represented in the Lay Electoral Conference by one elected member consents, such representation is permanent constitutional ordinance indirectly fast-ened upon the church by a possible vote of but one leyans, sacred as the birthplace of the Wes- of what must be taken to be the expressed judg-

ent and will of the laity.

Resolved, 2. That whenever a majority of the sen of any Lay Electoral Conference elect , and it ought not to be prohibited by any church by a possible vote of but one voice in ex-

in this Conference upon the question of amending " Manhattan" uses the terms " denomina-

under the conditions above expressed in Resolu vote must not be counted, and is of none effect.

Resolved, 4. That we respectfully request the

president of this Conference to cause the above action to be laid before all the Annual Confernces of the church at an annual session prior to embling of the next General Conference possible moment the controversy now agitating our church, we entreat our brethren in all the An-MR. EDITOR: I hasten to correct an error in this week's HERALD, which I think does foregoing conciliatory resolutions.

The adoption of these resolutions intellirently and heartily by all our Conferences immediately bring us out of the woods. It would soive all related questions, and solve them in conformity with the Word of God. It would also solve them in accordance with the nature of man, male and female. Have we not had blundering, and stupidity, and indirection, and misdirection enough? The entrance of God's Word, if we will but take the whole of it, will give do at the coming sessions. A presiding eldlight, and will bring a splendid creation out of our wretched chaos. In haste,

Your brother, WILLIAM F. WARREN.

Boston University. N. E. Desconess Home.

On the evening of March 18 the members

an eloquent lecture by Dr. Charles Parkhurst continuous success in every department. on "Christianity in Art, Place and Monu- B. Hamilton retires from the pastorate, that ment," and on the afternoons of March 26 he may devote himself to the work of "the and 28, Prof. Olin A. Curtis delivered mas- veterans," a cause which is dear to the heart terly lectures on Martin Luther. These lect- of the church. D. W. Couch closes his labors ures were very greatly enjoyed by all present, with the Brooklyn Church Aid Society where especially by the students in connection with he has been of eminent use, and returns to their study in Bible and church history. The the pastorate. S. L. Beller, one of our most unanimous vote of thanks tendered to both devoted and successful brethren, hopes to the honored speakers indicated the sincere appreciation of the privileges thus generously McAnney, whose long and severe illness in granted to us, and a more extended notice of the early part of the year caused serious conthese lectures will appear in the next issue of cern to many, leaves Washington Square, the Deaconess Home Journal, specimen copies this city, for a quieter charge. John Parker, of which will be mailed to any one who ad after doing the best of work in Beekman dresses the Deaconess Home, 45 East Chester Hill, will leave there this spring. Dr. Bow. summons to the best of my ability, I wish to Park, Boston. Other pleasures of like nature dish, of John St., expects to go to Brooklyn, are in store for us after the Easter vacation, and I. M. Foster, of the Allen Memorial, pur due notice of which will appear in Zion's poses to go to Bridgeport. These appoint-The first is, that if we can, first of all, vote HERALD and the Journal, as we wish to give ments, however, are to be taken cum grano with absolute unanimity in favor of having our friends an opportunity of enjoying them salis. The Bishop may have something to MARY E. LUNN, Supt.

[Continued from Page 1.] NEW YORK LETTER. Rev. C. S. Wing, pastor of Fleet St. Church

in Brooklyn, has met with a sad bereavement in the death of his honored father, who died March 20 at his home in Cornwall, Conn. Wesley, March 19. The celebration was a and generation than Ebeneser Wing. Con- the enthusiasm and popularity of the occaverted at ten years of age, and living up to the verge of fourscore, he thus gave a whole might be expected at the observance of the life to the cause of God and the Methodist anniversary of the death of a prominent being a man of wide reading and good judgment, he brought to the positions of class-leader and local preacher valuable endowments. Two sons in the ministry of our church, of the Methodist Social Union. The great a joint-guardian of the women of the church, choice. His end was peace; but how could it H. W. Warren were the speakers. There was

that are to be their guardians and to represent urbs, has been receiving additional tokens strategic purposes and critical advan-should be glad of a daily visit from these their needs — this surely is an emphasizing of of the affection with which his people regard man's headship which none of us would wish him. Last week \$500 in gold were presented ity of the great hall was severely taxed. The to him by his grateful and appreciative Again, for sixteen years modest Christian church. But even this, noble and generous women have sat and voted, unchallenged, in as it is, does not surprise us; for when you these conferences. Not one of them ever en- think of the Tarrytown people, kind, thought- for a congregation. Hundreds were turned preme ordinance, enacted by the highest con- nate. We hope the Tarrytown example will stitutional authority of the church, that no be widely followed. A Methodist preacher woman, under any circumstances, shall ever can enjoy Conference with much greater again sit in a Lay Electoral Conference—this zest when he has something to give to the is altogether another thing. This, it seems score of collections which are taken up during to me, could hardly be interpreted as anything the session. Methodist preachers, as a rule, short of a most discourteous and unfraternal are both cheerful and liberal givers, but some of our secretaries are as a bad as lemonsqueezers, and many a preacher's wallet goes back from Conference sadly demoralized. ratified by women, our sisters are in the Lay May the example of Tarrytown provoke many

Another of our brethren has met with sig- sang, nal honor, for an election to the State chapof our sisters to the General Conference. Do laincy of the G. A. R. has indeed a right to be so regarded. Congratulations, therefore, are in order to our good friend, Dr. Clark Wright, pastor of the Tremont Methodist Church in this city.

Rev. J. B. Brady, pastor of our church in the pastorate of the First Church, Wichita, Kansas, and will probably be transferred to that place at the next session of his Conference. Few men will be more missed from this region than Bro. Brady. Genial, broth erly, generous, a faithful worker, a fine Status of Men and Women in the Methodist preacher, he has made for himself a good record in his Conference, and a warm place in the hearts of his brethren. That he will do a great work in Wichita, no one questions. The church in that city are fortunate in their

From Wichita to Minneapolis is not a great way, i. e., as distances are computed in the West; and so the many friends of Dr. O. H. free, there can be no male and female [Revised | Tiffany - and they are legion - will be glad to know of his continued prosperity and success in the Hennepin Avenue Church in that city. The very marked and distinguished compliment of delivering the address on "The Life and Character of George Washington," was tendered him by the Loyal Legion, and when we say that the oration was equal to the theme, nothing more can possibly be added. It is to be hoped that Dr. Tiffany will accede to a general desire and give this magnificent oration permanent form. It

> this they have violated a canon of the church, and exposed themselves to certain penalties. And yet this is the church that is constantly talking of unity, and making certain proposithe union they propose is after the fashion of the lion and the lamb lying down together, and when they rose up the lamb was inside! greater was to overcome the less, but in this apt poetic quotat instance it is the Tom Thumb of the denom inations making suggestions to absorb all the rest. But the most perplexing thing about Method and Subject Matter." the whole business is that any regularly-or- editor of the "great official" was entirely dained clergyman will consent to occupy a at home on the platform. People in the pulpit te which he can only be invited as a layman. Considering that ex-Methodist ministers occupy fully a score of pulpits in need, for his voice easily found its way to the the Epi mest ridiculous. (In the above paragraph ing analysis of the work of the great Wesley tion" and "clergyman" after due reflec

Of course you have heard that this city proposes to open the saloons on Sunday after one o'clock in the afternoon, and keep them open until midnight. If this measure becomes law, New York most assuredly will make crab-like progress. We are in a strange condition of things when a petition signed by about seven hundred ministers protesting against this measure was refused a reading in Albany. Can't you manage to send us a good sized piece of Plymouth Rock? Haven't you got a few relics of the days when purity and principle were in at the making of New England? In return we can send you a lot of Irish flags, and as much German lager as will flood the Back Bay But the friends of temperance and Sunday observance are making great efforts just now. and it is hoped that Albany will not disgrace itself any further in this direction. Speaking after the manner of men, the

Bishops who preside at these three neighbor. ing Conferences will not have very much to ership in the New York Conference, and another in the New York East Conference, may somewhat disturb the episcopal mind, but generally speaking, the changes this year are not expected to be very numerous. N. G. Cheney closes his term as presiding elder of the New York East District, after six years of faithful and earnest labor. Bro. Cheney has allowed no interest or charge to suffer and friends of the Home were favored with and his administration has been marked by say. He generally has, and quite frequently in our economy "coming events cast their

CHICAGO CORRESPONDENCE.

Chicago Methodism celebrated the centennial of the death of the illustrious John Few men have been more useful in their day little late, but that detracted not a whit from sion. There was little of the funereal, as personage. It was not a lamentation for Wesley, but rather a glorification of the inomparable founder.

The exercises were held under the auspice Auditorium was the place. President Henry Dr. J. M. Buckley, of New York, and Bishop strong. Long before the hour of opening, the slightest voice in the selection of the laymen Tarrytown, one of our most charming sub- packed with good-natured Methodists. Over three thousand seats had been reserved, but before the exercises began, the seating capacplatform held the speakers, the singers and clergymen of other denominations. There must have been nearly six thousand people There was a large sprinkling of preacher throughout the vast audience. Many cam from beyond the city borders. We recognized brethren from the distant corners of Illinois, from Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Missouri, Pennsylvania.

> The exercises Legan with a noble organ voluntary - " Jerusalem, the Golden." Clarence Eddy almost made the mighty music-box speak. The great volumes of sound sent a thrill of joy through the audience which found abundant expression when six thousand Methodists stood up and

"Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing My great Bedeemer's praise!"

Rev. F. M. Bristol, D. D., of Trinity Church, offered prayer. It was a warm, fervent utterance. It brought the people still more into sympathy with the spirit of the occasion. It was uplifting to hear the Passaic, has received a cordial invitation to "Amens" which escaped from hearts that were beginning to overflow. After the prayer the chorus, under the direction of Mr. J. A Butterfield, sang "The Heavens are Telling, from "The Creation," and Rev. Arthur Edwards, D. D., led in the responsive read ing. This was a peculiarly impressive feature because of the fact that the Bible from which Dr. Edwards read was the identical hook used by Rev. Samuel Wesley, father of John Wesley, during the forty years of his incum bency at Epworth, and, of course, was used by John Wesley himself when he preached from his father's pulpit. This Bible has had an interesting history, and is now in the But how the people did sing "Arise, my soul arise!" We never heard such whole-souled praising. We could hardly believe the old hymn had so much power left in it. It was thrilling! Mr. F. P. Crandon, of First Church

introductory remarks. His address was pleasingly brief and to the point. He made an exemplary chairman. President Rogers was the first speaker. His theme was Wesley, the Man: His Personal Characterwould be a most valuable contribution to our istics." This was really Dr. Rogers' introduction to a Chicago audience, and every body Some of our Episcopal brethren are getting wanted to see Northwestern's new president. themselves into trouble by inviting clergy- The glasses were immediately turned upon men of other denominations to occupy their him. He stood the scrutinizing like s pulpits during the Lenten season. In doing Spartan, and soon the closest and most earnest attention could be detected upon "that sea of human faces." address was scholarly, analytical, necessarily in a good measure biographical. There was tions to the other denominations! Possibly eulogy, but nothing that savored of idolatry. Many interesting facts touching Wesley's life were made the basis for judgments of his work and his place in history. The address We have always had an impression that the was made more attractive by an occasional Dr. J. M. Buckley was the next speaker

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When the congregation had sung "Jesus, lover of my soul," Bishop Warren was inroduced, and spoke on "Methodism: Its Growth and Influence since Mr. Wesley's Bishop held his audience by the magic tion. power of the true orator. He lost no time with preliminaries, but plunging in medias res was under good headway after the first few sentences. We had heard the Bishop on previous great occasions, but never before did everything to inspire the orator -- a memorable anniversary, a vast, sympathetic audience, a thrilling theme - and the Bishop came up to the opportunity handsomely. People who arose to leave the hall when he was introduced, stopped when they heard his penetrating voice, and then resumed ontrammeled by the lateness of the hour, siding elder, speaks in the highest praise. Bishop Warren would have delivered the

which undoubtedly had been touched by the

ips of Susanna Wesley and her illustrious

power of Jesus' name" in true Methodist neking. The surprise was complete. ashion, and as the last note died away, Rev-

The Conferences.

(See also page 7.) NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE. Boston District.

Preachers' Meeting . - The usual meeting was held in Wesleyan Hall on Monday morning last, Rev. W. N. Brodbeck in the chair. Prof. Townsend, of Boston University, gave in interesting address on his recent trip to

South Boston, City Point. - On Sunday ast \$450 was raised, which squares the current expenses, and leaves a balance in the reasury. Rev. M. H. A. Evans, pastor.

Proofs of the Resurrection," taking as his second year. text Mark 16: 6. The Bishop met many of his old friends at the close of the service.

Hyde Park. - During the three years' 97 were present. The church year will close

North Boston District.

Charlestown, Monument Square. - At a cent Sunday service under the auspices of he W. F. M. S., Mrs. Dr. Butler and Mrs. Dr. Parkhurst made excellent addresses, and Mrs. Prof. Curtis conducted the devotional exercises. By the hearty co operation of the astor, a fine collection was secured of about \$50. At the last sacramental service a ery impressive sight was the coming of the ntire choir and organist, some fifteen in all, the Lord's table and receiving the emems as true disciples of the Lord Jesus. robably not many churches are thus highly avored. At the fourth quarterly conference ust held, the reports showed an increased embership: bills all paid or provided for: \$700 laid out in repairs; every apportionment of benevolence more than covered; and twenty otes for the return of the pastor, Rev. G. M. miley. The Sunday school board have reelected F. L. Beal and O. W. Comstock for another year, as superintendent and secretary espectively. Mallalieu Chapter Epworth eague has cordially invited the next district | Sunday-school is reported. evention to convene at this church. The Saster offering of the Sunday-school, collectdin money jugs, was reported last Wednesay evening, and amounted to over \$60.

First Church, Somerville. - A very enjoy- eroy has been asked to return for the second able and profitable social event took place year. this church on Thursday evening, March 19. A reception was given by the offiers of the church and their wives to the hurch and congregation who have made this their church home since the beginning of the resent pastorate. The vestry was transrmed into a large reception-room. The loor was covered with handsome rugs and parlor furniture, while placed about the which made it appear very homelike and exbedingly pleasant. Rev. George Skene, the creasing. accessful and greatly beloved pastor, kindly out upon the tables for the evening the large ollection of photographs which he gathered aring his tour abroad, and these were examned and studied with much interest. There were nearly three hundred people present. It was a happy thought, most wisely planned and recuted, to help the new comers to a better of all, and light refreshments were served.

Cambridgeport, Harvard St. - A very enyable Easter service was held, the pastor, iev. C. S. Rogers, D. D., preaching an apert by the Sunday-school, under the direcion of Mrs. O. H. Durreil, occupying the

St. Paul's, Lowell. - Rev. C. E. Davis was dudered a farewell reception by his parish-loners and friends last week in the vestry of church. The room was tastefully decrated, while rows of evergreen trees divided he space around the platform into a bower, er bonbon basket, containing golden bonons to the value of \$115.

people were greatly edified.

Lynn District

edly a master of his peculiar style of public speaking, and the people always like to hear Lynn, St. Paul's. - Rev. L. W. Staples, a master. His address was sprightly, ag-gressive, sometimes almost audacious. The imously invited to return for the second terly conference of the church has asked for nost impressive scene occurred when Dr. year. On Sunday last he baptized 5 by im- the return of its pastor, Rev. Wallace Mac-Ruckley took from a small satchel a com- mersion. munion cup which was used by Rev. Samuel

Wakefield. - At the fourth quarterly con Death." The hour was late, but the eloquent have been organized and are in good condi-Missionary auxiliary, and King's Daughters

Wilmington. - The fourth quarterly conference has given a unanimous invitation to Rev. W. A. Thurston to return for the fourth

Linden. - A new church was organized has been requested to deliver his popular seem to acquit himself so well. There last summer. It now has 18 members and 4 lecture on "My Short Run in Europe and probationers. They pay the pastor, Rev. D. Out," in Reading early in April. C. Thatcher, \$10 per week, and \$16 rent per month for a hall, and average \$2.33 in the Sunday-school collection. A lot has been bought for \$450, the one of whom it is bought donating \$150. The remaining \$300 their seats and heard an oration that they could ill afford to have missed. Had he been erosity and interest, Dr. Mansfield, the pre-

speech of his life. As it was, he did a magnificent thing. The day of the decay of the head of the records presented the paster. in behalf of the people, presented the pastor At the close of Bishop Warren's address and wife, Rev. and Mrs. S. Jackson, with a the audience arose and sang "All hail the beautiful and valuable oil painting by En-

return for the fourteenth year.

Gloucester, Prospect St. - The people com pletely filled the parsonage on Monday evening, March 16, and surprised the pastor, Rev. G. W. Mansfield, and family in a most de. after the sermon. lightful manner. There were readings, music, a bountiful banquet, and a season of social enjoyment. A happy address was made by Mrs. Gifford, and a generous sum of money was placed in the hands of the pastor's wife.

Ipswich. - There is now the best religious interest in all the churches that has prevailed for fifteen years. Twenty-eight have recently been received on probation in the ees of the church to be held in trust and kept Methodist Church, and more will follow. week 145 attended the class-meeting, and 200 series of special services, which continued members of the Sunday-school have signed until the first of March. He was assisted by a pledge covering the non-use of liquor and

received on probation, three in full, and three every evening. The whole community has were baptized. The floral display and music ssorate of Rev. W. T. Worth, now closing, were fine. This church is in a most hopeful that they cannot get into the saloons for their 179 have been received into the church and and promising condition. The present pas-131 on probation. There are more to follow torate closes with the church edifice re-

Springfield District.

Southwick. - Rev. T. W. Douglass is closwithout a financial deficit, and so without a ing up a pleasant and profitable year here as public call for money.

He has received many indica-

school is prospering. Dr. Steele is regaining his old-time health. Bro. Herrick is desired for another year.

Monson wants Rev. T. C. Martin for another year. This church has just acquired men who took deeds of the pews, which have been a paying investment to the owners. The pastor secured donations from the owners of pews valued at \$5,783 and got control of the balance by paying out about \$1,300. Some of the pew owners were loth to give up their investments. Some pews were owned outside the church membership.

Ware. - The quarterly conference has the third year. The past year has been one of good, wholesome work. This church has an Epworth League of 60 members.

Ludlow. - Rev. W. H. Adams expects to gather the largest collection for missions that grand and permanent results. has been reported from this place for years. Holyoke Highlands received 5 on probation

Northampton. - The Methodist Church young people of the church, and concluding has bought a lot on Elm St. above the col- with an address by the pastor, Rev. W. C. leges, and will build a new church instead of remodeling its present edifice. Bro. Pom-

Williamsburg .- Rev. N. H. Martin has had a pleasant year. The bills of the year Stone. The Epworth League has beep or

return. West Warren.— Rev. Putnam Webber, the for a third year is earnestly requested. Bro. pastor, is one of the most popular men on F. B. Kent, a member of this church, has the district. The church is full of hope. There has been a good revival interest. The pastor has been unanimously invited to re-

Warren has had a good year under the pastorate of Rev. W. C. Townsend. The pastor reports collections all taken, with a large missionary offering. Twenty-three persons have been received into the church. The pastor desires a change for the coming year. Brookfield. - Rev. W. D. Bridge, pastor,

reports improvements to the amount of \$160 equaintance with the church and with each on the church property. The bills are all her. The Highland Glee Club sang several paid, without a deficit. The finances and beections during the evening, to the pleasure nevolences are in better condition than for some years. The pastor has decided to

change. Conway. - Rev. George Sanderson is clos ing up a term of three years of successful Topriate sermon in the morning, and a con- work, and will change at his own request. This is one of our best country charges, and offers a pleasant and desirable home for the coming pastor. Bro. Sanderson is a tireless worker, and is now prostrated, but expects to

Mrs. G. F. Eaton, wife of the presiding elder, and daughter, Miss Ethel, have returned from a stay at St. Augustine, Plorida. Pleasing musical and literary program was five, after which Mr. Davis was presented a Church at the fourth quarterly conference. The pastor's report showed there had been a ing at his net increase of 17 in full membership during ceipts \$80. the year, 9 baptisms, 3 deaths, and 20 now

field has been invited to return for the third and Methodists. At the last quarterly con-

Mulien, for the fourth year. There has been age lot.

North Prescott .- Rev. W. B. Groves has had a successful year, and has been invited to re-

North Dana and South Athol. - The last quarterly conference gave their pastor, Rev. to them the third year. Bro. Silverthorne

The Springfield City Methodist Extension Society has authorized Rev. L. H. Dorchester to act as its financial agent, and he has begun securing pledges on the debt of the society, which amounts to \$8,500. He has already made a fine beginning, and is confident of raising the entire amount. When the debt is raised, the extension society will doubtless turn the property over to St. Luke's Methodist Church.

Westfield. - Sunday, March 20, was observed as Wesley Memorial day. The pastor, Rev. Dr. F. Woods, preached in the morning on " Wesley, a Man of Destiny." In the evening short papers were given by Miss East Boston, Bethel. - A petition has been Knell, Profs. Langdon and Burke, and previous Sunday morning the entire deficiency on current expenses of the year was raised HAZEN.

N. E. SOUTHERN CONFERENCE.

On Jan. 8, Rev. Jacob Betts, of Moodus, in the pursuance of pastoral work, called upon Mr. S. N. Williams, who is not a member, but a friend of the church. He gave him \$1,000, to be placed in the hands of the trustinvested for the perpetual use of the church There are conversions at every service. Last in Moodus. On Jan. 13, the pastor began a Revs. F. C. Baker, of North Easton, and South Boston, St. John's. - Bishop Malla- tobacco. The pastor, Rev. J. F. Allen, has John Pearse, of Rast Hampton, both of len preached a good sermon on "The been unanimously invited to return for the whom did excellent service, their labors being greatly blessed of God. The remainder of Tapleyville. - On Sunday last three were | the time the pastor was alone and preached been profoundly moved; drinking men say drink without hearing religious conversation torate closes with the church edifice remodeled and paid for, and a fund for a new pipe organ on hand large enough to insure estimonies were given. The Epworth League semembership of 151, and the Junior League a membership of 117. The unveiling of the charter of the last three years.

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Southwick.— Rev. T. W. Douglass is closen and profitable year here as condition, and yet the people are by no means discouraged. This state of things affects the finances of the church somewhat, and yet there is no discouraged. This state of things affects the finances of the church to the church of the pastor's salary. The church interests are prospering. Twenty-five persons have joined on probation as the results of the gracious revival lately conducted by the church alone. For several years this church has had but a single class-meeting, with an average attendance of but seven persons. Now the attendance is from thirty to tomic the pastor will report \$300 as a missionary offering. The benevolences will foot up a pleasant and profitable year here as supply. He has received many indications of the church to the church to the pastor, Rev. S. B. Sweetes, The pastor, Rev. A. H. Barrick, A. H. Barrick, A. W. Bryant, Mrs. L. B. C. M. Hughes, E. P. Herrick, R. Harcourt, Get the usual two cents will be food to do dot with the amount of \$75. He will probably return for another required to the pastor, Rev. D. Money. The Best will be good to, go from April 30 to April 30 to Money the pastor, Rev. B. P. L. Lucs, R. R. Secty. B. D. C. M. Hughes, E. P. Herrick, R. Harcourt, B. R. B. C. K. B. C. M. Hughes, E. P. H condition, and yet the people are by no means discouraged. This state of things affects the ford, recently gave a lecture on "Odd Church Folks," which was highly appreciated by good audience. The ladies of the church have recently sent \$20 worth of clothing, etc., to the South in the interest of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and quite a sum of control of its pews. The edifice was built by Home Missionary Society, and quite a sum of money also. The women of this church have tion and carefully distributing them. Delay now a mind to work. Considerable money has is costly. been expended this year in making the parsonage convenient and comfortable. The District Preachers' Meeting will be held with this church in June.

The work of revival has gone on success fully throughout the district during the fall and winter months. The presiding elder, asked for the return of Rev. C. M. Hall for Rev. E. Tirrell, has conducted altar services after preaching on Sunday evenings for several months, and in these services 75 or more have sought the Lord. In some cases they have been followed up by the pastors with

A very interesting Wesley centennial service was held in the auditorium of the church at the last communion. An increase in the in Putnam. The program was an excellent one, consisting of well-written papers by the Newell. The celebration was under the au spices of the Epworth League. Following these exercises a supper was given in the vestry, after which interesting addresses were made by the pastor, Asahel Battey and W. B. are all met. The pastor has been invited to ganized but a short time. It now has a membership of 40, and is in a flourishing condition. The return of the pastor to this field opened a gospel mission in a hired hall, which promises good results of efforts expended. Rev. Henry Benoit, the French Protestant missionary of our Conference, has a young and flourishing mission in Putnam, which is reaching and saving the class for which it was organized. At the late visit of Rev. E. Tirrell a consecration service was held in the evening after the sermon, and several persons began the Christian life. It was an approoriate closing of a good day. This is an im are followed by good returns.

MAINE CONFERENCE. Augusta District.

The effect of the McBride meeting at Form ington is still felt. Bro. Berry recently received 1 by letter, 10 on probation, baptized 7, and had the privilege in the evening of velcoming a seeker at the altar. At Hallowell 2 were received into full mem-

bership, March 15. At the quarterly conference it was voted to build a new parsonage on ence it was voted to build a new parsonage on the old lot this summer. This, with the plan adopted concerning the salary, and the band of earnest workers, will make Hallowell one of the New England Branch of the W. F. M. S. — The Second Quarterly Meeting of the New England Branch of the W. F. M. S. will be held Wednesday of Conference week, April 8, 12 miles Church, Lyan. The morning session.

The Easter concert, under the year, 9 baptisms, 3 deaths, and 20 now perintendence of Hubbard Copeland, esq., on probation. The Sunday school was related by a pronounced success. An audience of ported in a thriving condition, with a member by the lates of the charch. Trains leave have heretofore worshiped in a house owned by the lates of the charch. Trains leave between the latest ported in a thriving condition, with a member by the latest ported in a thriving condition, with a member by the latest ported by bership exceeding 400. Rev. C. A. Little- equally by the Universalists, Free Baptists,

ference committees on soliciting and build-ing were appointed, and a week later the first committee reported \$1,175 pledged.

Wasley while he was rector at Epworth, and which undoubtedly had been touched by the lines of Susanna Wesley and her illustrious and her illustrio year. Resolutions of commendation of the labors of Bro. Cook were passed by the conference, but he will not return. During his service 49 have been received as members; in the town. The new church edification of the service 49 have been received as members; in the town. The new church edification in the service 49 have been received as members; in the town. The new church edification is peo-laborated by the service 49 have been received as members; in the town. The new church edification is peo-laborated by the service 49 have been received as members; in the town. The new church edification is peo-laborated by the service 49 have been received as members; in the town. The new church edification is peo-laborated by the service 49 have been received as members; in the town. The new church edification is peo-laborated by the service 49 have been received as members; in the town. The new church edification is peo-laborated by the service 49 have been received as members; in the town. The new church edification is peo-laborated by the service 49 have been received as members; in the town. The new church edification is peo-laborated by the service 49 have been received as members; in the town. The new church edification is peo-laborated by the service 49 have been received as members; in the town. service 49 have been received as members; in the town. The new church edifice is and the Epworth League, Woman's Foreign monument to his zeal and ability.

Coming year. Dro. Laughton writes of his rails all the large commercial centres in the West, and the Epworth League, Woman's Foreign monument to his zeal and ability. military idea somewhat in conducting the services, and the children enjoy it very much. Think we have solved the problem,

How to reach the children.'" Five have been converted during the quarter at Oakland. The Epworth League contributed \$10 towards the new books added to the Sunday-school library.

The young people's society at Waterville has been doing good work financially as well as on other lines. During this Conference year they have collected and mailed 2,300 papers, paying postage on same, to different nstitutions; paid \$15 to support a student in Mrs. Parker's school at Moradabad, India; \$25 on the parsonage debt; and \$28 towards the missionary work.

Bro. Parlin has secured enough to finish paying debt for repairs on the vestry at Lavermore Falls.

Three started at Mt. Vernon during the quarter. To repair and renovate the church edifice at North Visnana, \$300 has been raised.

Augusta has received from Gen. Mitchell, of New York, \$500 towards repairs on church, and a gift of the house now occupied church, and a gift of the house now occupied.

[Marriage Notices over a month old not inserted.]

G. Trusdell, D. D., pronounced the bene. presented to Dr. L. B. Bates, signed by every Thomas Knell on various phases of Wesley's of New York, \$500 towards repairs on diction, and the historic demonstration was official member of his church, asking him to life and character. Wesley's hymns were church, and a gift of the house now occupied sung, personal experiences related, and a very by Bro. Ross on Winthrop St., or the money profitable meeting was the result. On the to buy another if it seems best. Bro. Ross has increased the \$500 to \$1,200, and expects to double that sum so as to get the church ready to entertain the Maine Conference in G. C. A.

> EAST MAINE CONFERENCE. Bucksport District.

satisfaction of all.

Brooksville. - Bro. J. T. Moore is rejoicing in seeing several souls coming to Christ. Calais, First Church. - As the result of extra meetings, more than 30 have been converted, and the church greatly quickened. [Continued on Page 8.]

Church Register.

HERALD CALENDAR.

SPRING CONFERENCES - 1891.

Money Letters from March 32 to 30.

NEW ENGLAND SOUTHERN CONFER-Taunton, Mass.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE NEW ENGLAND CON-FERENCE will be held at the Lynn Common Church on Wednesday, April 8, at 2 p. m. C. S. BOGERS, Sec'y.

NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE NOTICES. -Candidates for "Admission on Trial" will please neet the Committee at First Church, Lynn, on Wednesday, April 8, at 2 p. m. A. R. NICHOLS, Chairman.

The Committee and Class of the First Year will neet in the vestry of the Lynn Common Church, Tuesday, April 7, at 10 a. m. JESSE WAGNER, for the Com.

The members of the Class of the Third Year, of the N. E. Conference, are requested to be present on Tuesday, April 7, at the Lynn, Common Street, M. E. Church, at 10 s. m., for examination.

The examination of the Class of the Second Year will be held on Tuesday, April 7, at 2 p. m., in the First M. E. Church, Lynn. JOEL M. LEONARD, for the Com.

NEW HAMPSHIRE CONFERENCE NOTICES. The examination of the candidates for Admission on Trial, in the N. H. Conference, will be held at 10 a. m., Tuesday, April 14, in the M. E. Church, Newport, N. H. I. TAGGART, for the Com.

The examination of the Class of the Second Year will take place in the M. E. Church, Newport, N. H., Tuesday, April 14, at 9 a. m.

The Class in the Fourth Year will meet for examination in the church, Tuesday, at 1.30 p. m.
C. J. FOWLER, Chairman.

NOTICE. - In Park Street Church, April 8, Mrs and Mrs. Mary Lowe Dickinson, General Secretar of the Central Council in New York, will address portant field of labor, where vigorous efforts the King's Daughters and Sons, with their friends. At 2 p. m., a devotional and conference session will be held, with Mrs. Joseph Cook presiding, and in the evening the general meeting, at 7.30. CHARLOTTE S. DOOLITTLE, State Sec'y.

> EAST MAINE. — The brethren will please take notice of the request in the HERALD of March II, and reply at once. Will all superannuates and supernumeraries who plan to attend the Confersupernumeraries who plan to attend the Confer-ence session, please inform me? Also, any com-mittees wishing notices inserted in the directory, please send them. Sufficient time has been given, and no provisions will be made after April 1. All responses must be made previous to that date, as we shall begin then to compile the directory. W. F. STRWART.

of earnest workers, will make Hallowell one of the most desirable charges on the district.

Bro. M. E. King is deservedly popular with his people at Phillips, as a donation gathering at his home bears ample witness; receipts \$80. Kingfield has decided to worship under the M. E. Church to Roman Catholies." Executive

Business Motices.

READ the last column on the third page Buery Week for announcements of the latest ublications of the Methodist Book Concern.

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For Over Fifty Years '

Marriages.

[Marriage Notices over a month old not inserted.

lickets will be on sale at stations where members of the Conference will take the cars, as follows: On the Grand Trunk — between N. Strafford and Groveton Junction, round trip tickets to Groveton Junction for fare one way, On Concord & Mon treal – between Groveton Junction and Woods-ville, round trip tickets to Woodsville for fare one Brewer. — Since the resignation of Bro.

Whitham to go litto evangelistic work, the charge has been supplied by Rev. W. C.
Haskell, of the Bucksport Seminary, to the satisfaction of all. Passengers between Lunenburg and Walden can go at less experse via Wells River; between Greensboro' and East Fairfield via Cambridge

On Conn. River—between Brattleboro[†] and Windsor, round trip tickets to Windsor for fare one way. On Woodstock - round trip tickets to hite River Junction for fare one way. On Mont-ciler & Wells River — round trip tickets to peller & Wells River—round trip tickets to Northfield for fare one way. On Central Vi. and Branches: Brattleboro' & Whitehall Divisions—round trip tickets to Brattleboro' for fare one way. Gentral, Missisquol, and Burlington & Lamoille Divisions—round trip tickets to Northfield for fare one way. Central, Missisquol, and Burlington & Lamoille Divisions—round trip tickets to Northfield for fare one way. April 8 10 28 way. All tickets good April 21 to 28.

MAINE CONFERENCE B. R. NOTICE. - The following railroads will issue excursion tickets over their respective roads from all points within the limits of the Conference for fare one way, to all persons attending the Maine Annual Conference, to be held at Bath, April 29: -Maine Central, Portland & Rochester, Grand Trunk, and Somerset Railways. The Grand Trunk will issue to Yarmouth Junction and return; the Somerset, to Oakland and return.

W. I. Haven, of Boston. All wishing hotel ac-commodations during Conference will do well to notify me as soon as possible, as hotel accommoda-tions are very limited in this town. Rates to those attending Conference will be \$i per day.

SPECIAL NOTICE. - Bev. Dr. J. F. Berry, editor of the Epworth Herald, Chicago, will speak to the Epworthians of Boston and vicinity at Grace Church, Temple St., Boston, on April 8, the evening following the annual meeting of the Epworth League at the Lynn Common Church. There will probably be other prominent clergymen present from the N. E. Conference. A suitable musical program will be presented. It is sincerely hoped that all, far and near, will plan to be presen and give Dr. Berry a hearty reception. The church Never before has a Stove Co.

MAINE CONFERENCE. -Candidates for Local orders will meet the Committee in the vestry of the M. E. Church, Brunswick, Tuesday, April 21, G. D. HOLMES, for the Com.

THE BOSTON CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL The First Annual Exhibition of the Instruc-tional, recitational, and other appliances of the Boston Correspondence School in all its departnents, together with specimens of students' reci tations, theses, reports, and other work, will be given in the rooms of the New England Methodist Historical Society, Wesleyan Building, 36 Bromfield St., Boston, Mass., beginning on Wednesda; April 1, and ending on Saturday, April 3.

The Dean of the school, with assistants, will be in attendance daily from 9 a. m. until 5 p, m.

TENSION SOCIETY. — The April meeting of the Board of Directors of the Boston Missionary and ch Extension Society will be held in the Com mittee Boom of the Wesleyan B C. E. DAVIS, Sec'y. | Care C. F. Cate. April 6, at 2 p. m.

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The lily cannot be a rose, The star a sun that brighter glows. Without the lily and the star Becoming less than what they are.

The mocking-birds all live in vain; It needs not two to sing one strain. In each new life this truth is told -God makes the man, then breaks the mold.

You have the power, of your free choice To be an echo or a voice: Each spirit accent, chord and tone Of life is pledged. You have your own.

Your individuality Holds the great universe in fee; No other life can take your part In the deep music of her heart.

FAITH.

Who, by faith, Finds the far Father in the close sweet Son, Is one with both. Yet faith, ofttimes He taught, Was nowise bard believing; since belief Comes hard or easy, as winds go; and He— Seeking for truth and fearful lest they take A wrong road in the maze — spake graciously Even to one who. craving mercy, cried: "Lord! I believe! help Thou mine unbelief!" What faith He asked of whose entered in The slave may have in bondage. If he lifts Byes of sad hope; th' unlettered hind may Who, at his toil, hungers for better bread Than what toil buys; the little child may have. nt to love and trust; all souls may have, h. when the light shines, turn themse

As field-flowers do; and, like the flowers of the field Are glad of the great sun for the sun's sake; And, being evil, are for good; being weak, Will give what thews they own for righteous Will lay what gifts they may at Love's fair feet, And follow, with quick step or slow - through

faults, Through failures, through discomfitures, through The march of that majestic King whose flag, Distant and dim, they hail, and with true hearts — Though will be wilful and though flesh be weak —

- EDWIN ARNOLD, in "Light of the World."

THOUGHTS FOR THE THOUGHTFUL.

One day a drop of water lay in a pool on the city street. It was stained and soiled. oking up, it saw the blue sky, and the pure heavens, and the white sunbeams dancing everywhere, and began to long for purity and for a nobler, worther life. It looked up earnest prayer to be made clean and beautiful. And its prayer was heard. Presently the little soiled drop was lifted up out of the gutter into the air—higher and higher. Then the breeze caught is and it was wafted away, away, and by-and-by it rested in the a rose, a drop of pure. crystal dew. So God answers our prayers for holiness. "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled." - J. R. Miller.

never been anything else than the e place grim Jesus has made a vast difference in men's thinking. A great Easter wind has been blowing through the dismal valley and has swept away all the shadows. There has been left a roadway of light, and above it echoes alway, even unto the end of the world!" Death, the children of God affirm, is only the gateway to the Father's house. "I see no valley," cried one, looking off from the bed of death. - S. S. Journal.

biographies on the globe, you will find that the men who have conquered the strongest temptations have had not only the courage of their convictions, but have had the indwelling power of God. Joseph, spurning a tremendous temptation, not because Potiphar saw him, but because God saw him; Daniel, facing both a laugh in the palace and the lions in the royal park; Paul, defying Nero because "the Lord stood with me and strengthened me" these are the models for your imitation. Good impulses are abundant and cheap. They will never hold you in a sharp fight unless you have the staying-power which Christ resist the rush for sudden wealth, to conquer fleshly appetites, to hold an unruly temper under control, to keep base passions subdued, and to direct all your plans and purposes straight toward the highest mark, requires a power above your own. Christ's mastery of you will give you self-mastery; yes, and mastery over the powers of darkness and of hell. Faith will fire the last shot, and when the battle of life ends, you will stand among the crowned conquerors in glory. - Theodore

O pais, thou art good in the world, we believe! Aye, good, as God's will and God's way with His

own.
We tremble and shrink, and we doubt and we grieve,
But we cry unto God, though our cry be a groan.
Somehow, it is best—we feel it, we know it—
That troubles should come; yea, we bow as the wheat, When the storms in the night-time do beat it and

Full sure that the day, when it comes, will be

Our sainted dead are alive evermore! Death is swallowed up in victory; the grave is con-quered; and heaven comes to our thought with friendlier familiarity. This is more than sentiment; it is inspiration. It is strength that can carry the load of life; it is enthusiasm that makes sorrow itself a sacrament. The sainted dead come to us in many a holy

" Not to dwarf us by their stature

"I heard a great voice from heaven, saying, Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord." We know that such a voice can be heard from heaven only, for such music slumbers not in the harps of earth. We need resurrection to complete birth. The resurrection is an instinct as well as a doctrine. Birth without resurrection is most palpable cruelty. Then should we say — this God began to build and was not able to finish! We need not argue immortality—it is enough to feel it. Death itself is the best teacher of immortality. It nakes immortality possible; it makes immor tality necessary. - Dr. Joseph Parker.

Jesus said. Strange if He meant that a cer-tain day set apart in the year by common custom was the Resurrection and the Life.

time or any particular occasion. They are the resurrections that follow the deaths on the resurrections that follow the deaths on the march of life, and they come in the midst alike of strife and peace. Each struggle with a little devil of every-day temptation is fol-lowed by a resurrection of new life, an Easter of the heart. It is the Christ-spirit which is the resurrection and the life; and it is of On a sick-bed in the midnight hours, behind the sun-eclipsing doors of prison, in the lonely field and on the crowded street, it comes in equal splendor, and diffuses equal ago. The Easters of every day—who can count them or measure their heavenly power? - Christian Register.

INFLUENCE THE MINISTERIAL?

ISABELLA WEBB PARKS.

The Voice of the Laity.

on the side he believed in, and to vote as he point. pleased. To attempt now to count those who firmative, is most uncandid, not to use a wild excitement which has swept the majorstronger term. It makes no difference wheth- ity from its feet; majorities are not always in er this is the largest or the smallest vote the wrong. Such majorities as the one which 'ever taken in Methodism." If people do favors the admission of women to General not vote when they have an opportunity, it is Conference are very rarely in the wrong. It honestly attempt to break the force of the but for a few short years, actual vote by the supposed views of the nonvoters. Let it be observed that it was a vote, not as shrewdly put in the New York Christian Advocate for Jan. 8, a " petition." Were it a petition, all not signing it might fairly be counted as opposed. But it was a vote; all were asked and given opportunity to express themselves for or against the change. Those who refused cannot be counted now. The vote by every fair-minded and honorable person must be accepted as the voice of the laity. The next point to be considered is

The Character of the Vote.

gence of the church is enormously in favor of years ago there was strong opposition to than all other women, and the husband more to the the admission of women. When you consid- women as school-teachers. About the same wife than all other men - this is necessary to a against it, and then consider the size of the going into the Boston Public Library to read. ignorant vote, the intelligent majority indeed Twenty-five years ago the same changes were into the sky and its longing became an credit upon our colored membership that I tal and moral characteristics, the home, the say that they compose the most ignorant por- eternal fitness of things, etc., etc., to shut the notwithstanding the combined efforts of all her. Within fifty years those who now gra-Christian denominations, illiteracy has stead- cloudy consent to permit Frances Willard to two weeks ago in a sermon at Clark Univer- in public." The particular question now be sity, Bro. Geo. Standing, one of our earliest fore us has been under consideration more and noblest missionaries in the South, stated than two years. Does any one in his senses "The Valley of the Death-Shadow!" cries that throughout the country regions the Bible suppose that the intelligence of the church the Psalmist; and to how many death has is not read in one out of the colored has been carried away by the "glitter of is not read in one out of ten of the colored has been carried away by the "glitter of never been anything else than the place grim and repelling where earth's lights go out! churches, and the religion of the people is compliments" and the "huzzahs of the endant has asked, "Will they ever shine again?" Life's voices die away, and some white membership is also far below our Nor is this a hazardous "experiment," of again. All paths end in the Valley of the Death-Shadow; is there any path out of it? But the fact of an Easter morning and a risen women. Just in proportion as we find intelman. As a factor in civilization she is pretty Northern in intelligence. This ignorant vote which no one can foretell the results. ligence among these classes, we find the vote well understood. Every new field of work for admission increasing. This is true of in- that she has entered in this "woman's centdividual congregations, but it is most clearly ury" has been improved by her presence. seen by contrasting the lay with the ministe- Dire results were prophesied when she first the music of that voice, "Lo, I am with you rial vote. The colored ministers as a class dared to leave the beaten paths. They have are far superior to the people in intelligence, proved utterly unfounded. She and the coland the ministerial vote of the Conferences leges have mutually benefited one another. gives much smaller majorities against admis- She is an acknowledged success in business sion than does the lay vote. In Little Rock and the professions, and no less but rather Conference, for example, the lay vote was more of a success than ever in the home. She 2 to 1 against, the ministerial vote was a tie. has vastly improved the prayer-meetings and In the Savannah Conference the lay vote the Sabbath-school. There is every reason gave a strong majority against admission, to believe that what has been true in the past but the ministerial was 35 to 34 in favor. The will hold true in the future, and that her New York Christian Advocate explains the presence in General Conference will be a colored lay vote by saying that it is because of | blessing to the church. a prepossession in favor of the Word of God. If that is true, brothers, shut up your colleges and universities from the Lakes to the Gulf and from ocean to ocean - yes, in the lands beyond the seas; for what is true of the ignorant vote among the colored people, is true of the ignorant vote everywhere. It is precisely the "prepossession" which makes them believe that the Bible teaches that the earth was made in six days, and that the sun revolves around it. They are at least consistent in their exegesis. This re markable prepossession for the Word of God does not show itself in other matters. Let me himself had no more faith in the colored race secretary than have I; he did not believe more firmly than do I that the Lord " made of one every nation of men; " he was no more of a radical than am I in his views of the relation of the races; but in intelligence and morals the colored people are no better than we could expect them to be after two hundred years of training in a school that violated every command of the Decalogue. They are no worse and no better than the Anglo-Saxon race would have been under the same circumstances; but their own leading men will confirm my statement that their condition morally is far below that of our white membership in the North. Their great "preposses sion in favor of the Word of God " exhausts itself in this one effort to exclude women from General Conference.

Two facts, then, are clear: The laity is deeidedly in favor of the admission of women.

What Weight

should these facts have with the ministers? Those ministers who are more or less doubtful of the expediency merely of the movement are induty bound to make the lay vote a large element in deciding their own vote. It is the basis of all democracy, whether of small societies or of the large society which the American Mother Chapter, will hardly undertain we call a nation, that the judgment of the majority is more likely to be right than that of the minority. In regard to any other question, such a minister would say: "A large majority of the most intelligent men the Englishwomen do so well as that? Lady Henry and women of the church believe that the Somerset is the prime mover of the London start and best interests of the church demand this will be the secretary of the committee. It is intended change; I therefore lay aside my own doubts to start branches in the provinces as well."

of the heart, the Easters that come every day in deference to their judgment." If any are in men's affairs, do not select any particular positive that it will be to the serious injury of positive that it will be to the serious injury of Board, Dr. Caroline Hastings presented an order, the church, it is doubtless their duty to stand which was passed, that in all official records and doc like Leonidas in the pass and face the Persian uments of the board, the baptismal names of teach horde (of Christian women, doctors of divinity, etc.) that threaten the destruction of when young women come into public service, they Methodism.

ber that they are as liable to be mistaken and baptized Nellie, Susie and such names, I hope that prejudiced as are their brothers and sisters of the next generation will be more fortunate. I had the other side. In asmuch as such men as our my attention called to this when I assumed profescomfort. Whether the heart is heavy or light, whether the mind and body are burdened or at rest, its presence tenetrates and Ba hford of Ohio Wesleyan, the editors of a wise trother saved me from that disgrace." nearly all our church papers, and many others of note, doctors in divinity and professors of colleges, it is time that our oppo-THE LAY VOTE - HOW SHOULD IT nents cease their cry that none except those who are determined to wrest its meaning cau I T is first to be said that the lay vote must strongly convinced that this movement is be accepted as contrary to the Bible, would do well to see first in "firting" and then in getting "engaged," contrary to the Bible, would do well to se-

The Onward Sweep of God's Great Plans.

his dinner. The question of woman's participation in the affairs of both Church and State has been a subject of discussion the last people, and that a life of romance is out of our twenty-five years. And mark, the very same reach; but I believe in "falling in love." The class of persons who now oppose her admis- imagination should be kindled, and the heart sion to General Conference, have fought touched. There should be enthusiasm and even every step of her forward march and with romance in the happy months that precede marriage, precisely the same arguments. One would and something of the enthusiasm and romance suppose, from the Christian Advocate, that all its perfect happiness and grace. The wonderful from which it clearly appears that the intelli- thus far had been freely granted; but fifty charm which makes the wife more to the husband er that the ignorant vote was almost solid time a woman created a terrible scandal by happy marriage. But take my word for it, those looms." It is not from a desire to cast dis- rung upon the Bible, woman's physical, mention of our church. Statistics show that, doors of our colleges and universities against ily increased among the colored people the pack to its utmost capacity any house in last twenty-five years. Colored children are which she will consent to speak, considered born faster than we can educate them. Only that a woman "unsexed herself by speaking

ABOUT WOMEN.

- The London Methodist Times refers to Miss Frances R. Willard as probably "the most prominent Methodist woman in the world."

- Miss Kingsley, daughter of Charles Kingsley, has been awarded the decoration of the French academic palms, with the grade of "Officer of the

professor, has the entire charge of her husband's immense correspondence. She is a native of Claus not be misunderstood. Bishop Gilbert Haven thal, in Hanover, Germany. She is a competent

> -Mrs. Sophia Kovalewska, the professor of died recently, was a direct descendant, through her father, Count Corvin, of Mattheus Corvinus, king of Hungary. She spoke and wrote fluently Russian, English, Swedish, German and French.

- The home of Olive Schreiner ("Ralph (ron"), whose "Story of an African Farm" made her famous, is in a beautiful suburb of Cape Town. It is an oasis in a veritable South African desert. but skill and thrift have made the few hundred acres that comprise the town's site blossom like the rose.

--- Cynthia Westover, the young woman who is private secretary to New York's Street Commission er, and who, during her employer's recent illness personally superintended the work of 1,500 laborers,

of the Commercial College, Denver. The intelligence of the laity is enormously in in Brooklyn no less than 20,000 printed sips asking the women of New York not to wear birds or their plumage. The request is simply and earnestly made no reply being called for, and as a mark of good faith signed with the autograph of that gentle woman who is a friend of all the little creatures in feathers

and fur. - The New York Times says: "The establish ing of a London branch of the 'King's Daughters, or rather similar circles - for the home organizat to control at such a distance - will be noted with interest on this side the water. In 1886 the first circle of ten women was started in New York. To-day there are at least a hundred and fifty thousand women who wear the silver cross and purple ribbon. Wil

-At a recent meeting of the Boston School try it, your whole hand would slip into your kind, that I've liked her ever since. I know should assume the dignity of the public service, and It becomes even those who oppose the should give a name that is in accordance with their minor importance where or when or how it is movement on Scriptural grounds to remem-calling. If they were so unfortunate as to have been dened or at rest, its presence penetrates and makes itself felt. To the heart that feels this question in all its phases, as the present I should adopt any other. I have gone over this list movement is championed by such men as and find more than 100 of these diminutives or it. I presence the sun rises with all the grandeur of the first Easter rising, and sheds the same soft comfort that it did two thousand years soft comfort that it did two thousand years are the sun rises with all the grandeur movement is championed by such men as and find more than 100 of these diminutives on it. I suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own soft comfort that it did two thousand years are the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own comfort that it did two thousand years are the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own comfort that it did two thousand years are the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own comfort that it did two thousand years are the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own comfort that it did two thousand years are the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own comfort that it did two thousand years are the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was thoughtlessly done, as in my own care the suppose it was about to have my own care the suppose it was about to have my own care the suppose it was about the s

COURTSHIP AND MARRIAGE.

WITH an honorable girl, with an honorable man, an engagement carries with it somefail to see that the Bible teaches the subordi- thing more than a few sunny months of courtship. nation of woman. In view of all the facts, After courtship comes marriage. After marriage even the ministers who are more or less comes the home. To describe the reasons which to also tubs of butter, webs of cloth, buttons, house, and when they are running off, dark would answer no good purpose. But, putting aside riously consider whether or not they may not the indirect manner in which writers address their ners, and all their joint energies are bent but couldn't you do it? Such things are si Everybody had a chance to use his influence have misunderstood its teachings upon this readers, let me speak frankly to you as a friend to a toward putting up a first-class store. Some- lowable on April Fool's day." friend. Let me ask you to consider what you must times one has a farm, the other a store, etc. "I know I could," said Bennie delighted you It is easy to make eloquent appeals to the have in your future husband, in your future wife, to As mamma sits by with her sewing, she of "You are the best hand to plan, mother didn't vote, and, worse yet, to count on the negative those who actually voted on the afements which are necessary to the romantic perfection of married life, for most of us are common place people and a life of romance is beyond our reach. There are some very commonplace things which you ought to make sure of.

Good sound health is one thing. There are twenty quite as evident that they have no strong con- is a grand thing to hold at bay a false move- grave reasons for insisting on it. Next to this I victions against the proposed change as that ment. It is not a grand thing to obstruct should put perfect truthfulness. The man who will gathered up, its contents shaken out, and all attend you!" they have none in favor. Neither side can and hinder, as any of us may, though it be lie to other people will lie to his wife; the girl who is in order again with very little trouble.

April Fool's day came at last, and most will lie to other people will lie to her husband. Next to truthfulness, temperance, industry and courage, Then fortitude, that is, the power to bear pain and The woman question is not a cyclone which trouble without whining. Then unselfishness, for has swept without warning upon our Methodist Zion while the "pilot" was below getting selfishness in the early weeks of courtship, will settle back into it again when the wear and worry of life come on.

I said just now that most of us are commonplace plain, solid virtues of which I have spoken are indispensable to the security and happiness of a home, and it is a home you are drifting to when you are drifting into love. - R. W. Dale.

A SOLITARY WAY.

There is a mystery in human hearts, And though we be encircled by a host Of those who love us well and are beloved, To every one of us, from time to time, There comes a sense of utter loneliness.
Our dearest friend is "stranger" to our joy,
And cannot realise our bitterness.
There is not one who really understands —
Not one to enter inte all 1 [Sect.]." Not one to enter into all I feel; Not one to enter into air 1 ree; Such is the cry of each of us in turn.
We wander in a "solitary way,"
No matter what or where our iot may be;
Each heart, mysterious even to itself,
Must live its inner life in solitude.

And would you know the reason why this is? It is because the Lord desires our lov In every heart He wishes to be first. To open all its chambers, and to bless With perfect sympathy and holy peace Each solitary soul which comes to Hu So when we feel this loneliness, it is The voice of Jesus saying, " Come to Me; And every time we are " not understood It is a call to us to come again Can never have a " solitary way."

And when beneath some heavy cross you faint And say, " I cannot bear this load alo You say the truth. Christ made it purposely So heavy that you must return to Him.

The bitter grief which "no one understands conveys a secret message from the King Entreating you to come to Him again. The Man of Sorrows understands it well; In all points tempted He can feel with you. You cannot come too often or too near. The Son of God is infinite in grace: His presence satisfies the long Can never have a " solitary way."

POOR BUT PURE.

N the early days of American art there went from Boston to London a young man of lueverything but character. The inspiration of the great masters of painting which he saw filled him with a high sense of his calling; he desired to paint nobly, to live nobly, and leave an influence that would help mankind. Among the pictures that he sensuous mind might pervert by an evil interpre tation. To a good mind its influence was good: to an evil imagination it might be made food for evil.

A connoisseur of rank and wealth came to this roung man's studio, saw this picture, and purchase mathematics in the University of Stockholm, who happy. But when the picture was gone the artist began to think of the bad influence it might have over the weak and tempted. His conscience began to torture him; he could not rest. He went at last to his

"I have come to buy my picture back." "Buy it back? Did I not pay you well for it?

Do you not need money?" "Yes, I am poor. But art is my life. Its missio must be good. The influence of that picture is not good. I cannot be happy with it before the eyes of the world. It must be withdrawn if I can recall

The patron admired the heroic purpose of the young artist's life, and sent back the picture. The dialogue was like that we have given, though not in you would be a little more definite." the exact words. The young artist became great, is a graduate of the Colorado State University and and his character came to command the respect of

This man corrected his first mistake in life, and ever repeated it. He died full of years and honors. and was buried by torchlight in the old cemetery in Cambridge, Mass. It is said that the moonlight fell upon the bier as the last rites were being perfor revealing a face so morally and spiritually as to be of itself an artistic inspiration. - HEZEKIAH BUTTERWORTH, in Chautauquan.

sn't at least five cipbers in it."

- At a recent Sunday-school service in Detroit the clergyman was illustrating the necessity of Chris-tian profession in order to properly enjoy the bless-ings of Providence in this world; and, to make it apparent to the youthful mind, he said: "For instance, I want to introduce water into my house. I turn it on. The pipes and faucets are in good order, but I get no water. Can any of you tell me why I do not get any water?" He expe ted the children to see that it was because he had not made a connection with the main in the street. The boys looked per-plexed. They could not see why the water should refuse to run into the premises after such faultiess plumbing. "Can no one tell me what I have neg-lected?" reiterated the good man, looking over the flock of wondering faces bowed down by the weight of the problem. "I know," squeaked a little five-year old. "You don't pay up!"

"I see," said !

RAINY DAY AMUSEMENTS.

NEVER found any one thing which gave pointed scissors and paper. When a rainy has a great calla in her sitting-room window day comes, one busy mother whom I know But what good would that do? I couldn't places a large comfortable on the sitting- change with them, as I see." room floor, and provides her small brood with "Yes, you could if you are only smart newspapers and dull scissors. They cut from enough, and I think you are. Couldn't you the paper, men, horses, cows, sheep, etc., hide in the alley beyond Miss Gershom anything, in fact, of which they may think, out, cut the cord of their picture, and hang and open a store. Sometimes they are part- yours in its place? It must be quick work ally, as mothers have a habit of doing. This Miss Gershom will be pleased, and no on play gives pleasure to the little ones for a will know anything about it but we two. long time. When all through, they collect will be our own little secret, won't it? their "goods" in their little carts and wheel Mrs. Armstrong kissed the freekled little them out into the kitchen to light papa's fire face that fairly shone with pleasure. "Ge with in the morning. The comfortable is now, my brave Sir Galahad, and may success

children can take part in. Show the child Derwent's school. Many were the jokes in the word "the" in some newspaper; then dulged in, many the tricks and sells played the word "the" in some newspaper, the word in the "in some newspaper, the him find other "thes" and, with a lead pencil, mark each one. He will at once feel than Bennie Armstrong, although the thought all the joy of a discoverer, and consequently will find the employment fascinating, and of what he was to do that night scarcely left never dream that he has taken the first step his mind. It was his first attempt at any in learning to read. When he has become thoroughly familiar with this word (after several days) let "and" be added, and other one to go with him, but he dare not share his has taught himself to read simple sentences. Bennett. is another use for the scissors. I

know a little four-year-old girl who watches eagerly for the postman, in order to get envelopes from which to get postmarks and member, seven o'clock, sharp, Harry! stamps. These she puts carefully away in a "Yes," called back Harry. Bennie! box and calls them her "treasures," although she has dolls, doll-carriages, tea-sets and a variety of toys. She has learned, too, to cut out pictures with surprising accuracy, and sometimes helps her mother by cutting out going," he said to himself when Harry had marked articles for a scrap-book. Other favorite amusements for little children are shelling pop-corn, and putting the string-bag in order by winding the strings on a spool or ball. A box of anagrams furnishes occupation for many hours, as even a child who does not know his letters will enjoy picking out those that look alike and putting them together in a pile.

Of course with all these things, care must be taken not to let the child become tired and nervous. They are valuable to give variety on a stormy day, to answer for a time that ing any of the boys. He had chosen his perennial question. "What shall I do?" but hiding-place that day while passing, had ever they should never be continued till they pro- calculated just how many steps he would duce weariness. - Western Rural.

Little folks.

WHO WAS FOOLED? JULIA S. LAWRENCE.

BENNIE ARMSTRONG'S face wore a puzzled look. He went slowly home from school, split his kindlings, and filled the wood-box as usual, but in silence. His mother, missing his merry whistle, knew something was the matter. She said nothing, however. She never forced her children's confidence, vet her ready sympathy with their little troubles and hearty co-operation in all their plans, no matter how trivial, secured it for her. At the tea-table Bennie's attempts to spread his butter with his spoon and to eat his sauce with his fork, caused much merriment. He laughed with the rest at his absent-mindedness, yet the "worryments," as cut the cord, put his own card in place of the good Aunt Dinah called them, did not leave

Mrs. Armstrong was not surprised, therefore, to hear a light tap at her door soon after, and Bennie made his appearance.

"Is baby asleep?" he asked in a low voice. "Sound asleep. Wait till I put him in his crib, and then we will have a nice long

Bennie crossed the room softly, and, seating himself on a stool by his mother's chair, leaned his head on its arm and watched her as she gently laid the baby down, tucked him in snugly, and shaded his dear little face from the light. Then she came back to her chair, and Bennie laid his head in her lap. She gently smoothed his tumbled hair and waited. "What is it?" she asked at length. "Is

my young Knight planning a crusade?" "I wish I could," he exclaimed, sitting suddenly erect and looking into his mother's face with flashing eyes. "I'd destroy old sometimes," he added.

bused," said his mother.

"I think I should understand it better if rest."

Bennie laughed. "I always begin in the the day the boys snow-balled Miss Gershom's think." cat and drove him up a tree, and Miss Ger- The result of this thinking was apparen shom came out and took him down and called when Mr. Derwent, the next day at the close them cruel boys, they have spited her. Now of the school, announced to his scholars that they say they will get even with her. They a lady who was deeply interested in the boys are going to get the worst picture they can in his room, had requested the privilege of find, put her name under it, hang it on her offering them a prize; the prize to be given door April Fool's night, ring the bell, and run. to the one making the most progress in arith-They made all their plans to-night after metic between that time and the close of the school, and wanted I should help. But I told term; and, in answer to the questioning eyes them I thought it was mean to insult a lady of the delighted boys, he added that the in that way."

"Bravely spoken, my young Sir Knight. shom. And what did they say to that?"

— His Compliment. — Miss De Pretty: "I don't lee how you whistle through your fingers that way. could never do it in the world."

Mr. Goodheart (wishing to compliment her delicate I don't care for that. When I sprained my "It's just the best joke I ever heard of," little hands): "No, Miss De Pretty, if you should that used to be her brother's, and was so very rich?"

she will feel so hurt about it. I've tried and tried, since I came home, to think of some way to get the joke on the boys, instead, but I can't. They'll have to do it. I only hope she won't think I am in it, too."

"How do they plan to do it?" asked his mother.

"They will all go up street together, watch their chance when no one is near, then one of them will dash in, hang the thing on the door-knob, ring the bell, and run. They will all be out of sight before she can possible

" I see," said Mrs. Armstrong, after a few minutes' thought. " Now you might get her a card, too. There are some lovely ones at Lane's."

"I know. I saw one to-day with callas on more satisfaction than a pair of blunt it that made me think of Miss Gershom. She

Here is another plan, which even young heartily was it welcomed by the boys of Mr. ommon words, until unconsciously the child secret with even his best friend, Harry

He and Harry were going homeward together, when Dick Snell called out. "Re-

"Yes," called back Harry. Bennie's heart

gave a big thump. He was sorry Harry was "I am glad I know what time they are

left him. "Seven o'clock sharp will find me At ten minutes of seven this young knighterrant sallied forth, armed, not with sword and lance, but with his mother's scissors in

his pocket, and, instead of a helmet, an old cap of his father's pulled well down over hi face, that he might not be easily recognize He reached Miss Gershom's without meet ing any of the boys. He had chosen hi have to take from the corner to the big front door. The moon shone brightly, but, fortu

as well as the front of the house, lav in the shadow. "I hope they will be on time. I shouldn't like to stay here a great while.

nately for Bennie, the side he had selected

as he curled up in the shadow. Be'ore long he heard the boys' voices down the street, then footsteps coming nearer an nearer. He hugged the side of the hou lest he should be seen. There were only for not there.

They passed the house and stopped. B nie, peeping out from the corner, saw then stand still for a moment; then Dick darted into the yard, hung a card on the door-knob. and gave the bell such a furious clang that Bennie jumped and came near losing his balance and tumbling headlong into the stree Quickly recovering himself, he darted out and, in less time than it takes to tell it, had other, and was back again. He heard the key turn in the lock and the door open as he reached the corner.

"Well done, sir!" he said to himself "Now get yourself home without being seen, and keep mum."

Meanwhile Miss Gershom had been an in terested observer of a part of the scene. Coming from her chamber, she had been at tracted by the beauty of the evening, had blown out her lamp, and stood by the window overlooking the moonlit street. She saw the boys come up the street, pause in front of her house, and one of their number run to he door, then heard the bell ring.

"The little villains!" she said aloud How dare they do that? Never mind, though, it is April Fool, and boys will be boys. Jane will go to the door for nothing - that is all. If they get any sport out of it, I'll not complain."

She went slowly down the stairs to find April Fool the first thing. And yet there is Jane standing with an envelope in her hand. lots of fun in it, and we do have jolly times She listened in surprise as Jane told of find ing it on the door-knob, and her eyes filled "Fun in it when the custom is used, not with tears as she opened it and discovered a beautiful little card - a cluster of callas in "That's just it! I wish the boys weren't the centre, with a tiny dove above bearing at going to do it. It's too bad, any way! Miss olive-branch in its mouth, and underneath it Gershom will feel hurt. Don't you think delicate German text the words: "My preence shall go with thee, and I will give thee

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Sunday, April 12. 2 Kings 10: 18-31. REV. W. O. HOLWAY, U. S. N. THE GOOD AND EVIL IN JEHU.

heart" (1 Sam. 16: 7).

1. DATE: B. C. 884. 3. PLACE: Samaria.

4. CONNECTION: The murder of Benhadad by the present day. Look that there be . . throne of Syria; Jehn appointed king over Israel | who might have stolen in out of curiosity. prophets" sent by Elisha; the commission given Judah), the seventy sons of Ahab, and the forty-any suspicion (Rawlinson).

sunday - Matt. 6: 1-6.

I Introductory.

Johnnadab, the son of Rechab, the hands in token of their alliance. (Stanley). Jehonadab accepted Jehu's invitation to go along with him and see his zeal 26, 27. Brought forth the images out of the house — R. V., "brought forth the Samaria of Ahab's bouse or adher- of recovery as a place of worship. and they long concected a plan for absent themselves, on pain of death. 28. Thus Jehu destroyed Baal out of worshipers. A careful inspection was finished by Jehu.

calf-worship, and that was all. Hence

erved Baal a little, but Jehu . . .

prophets," who taught the principles of

his worship; his "priests," who officiated in

the sacrifices; and his "servants," which the

R. V. translates as "worshipers." The

entire following of Baal was to be collected

in the idol temple under the pretext of cele-

brating a grand inaugural sacrifice in honor of the dynasty. Jehu did it in subtilty.-

The "subtilty" was Jehu's. God did not

ommand it, was not responsible for it, nor

The fact that Jehu was believed, when he said

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restoration of the service of Jehovah. No one

any longer thought of that as a possibility

20, 21. Proclaim (R. V., "sanctify") a

adherent of the idolatrous worship dared to

e absent. Absence, indeed, meant death to

absentee. Apparently no one suspected

that the assembly meant death to all who

Some of these ancient temples to Baal were of

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III. Expository.

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after their own heart, they said to themselves; but their delusion was brief. Jehonadab, His spiritual rewards for those who serve austere Bedonin tribe, a branch of the Kenites, to which Jeremiah (300 years later) alludes at some length (Jer. 35). They were bound by a covenant to preserve their sim- zeal for God and His Gospel which is nothing I. Preliminary.

I. Golden Text: "Man looketh on the outwine, or even building houses. They agreed appearance, but the Lord looketh on the to live in tents and subsist by pasturage.

This visid was presented the results of the presence their simplicity and purity of life by abstaining from sowing seed, planting vineyards, drinking passion. True zeal is a sweet, heavenly and gentle flame, which maketh us active for to live in tents and subsist by pasturage.

This visid was a consumer to preserve their simplicity and purity of life by abstaining from sowing seed, planting vineyards, drinking gentle flame, which maketh us active for to live in tents and subsist by pasturage. This rigid rule was handed down from never calls for fire from beaven to consume generation to generation; and the tribe still

Ramoth-Gilead by one of "the sons of the The presence of persons belonging to another religion was usually regarded by the ancients as him to extirpate Ahab's wicked house; his a profanation of the rites. In the case of the to him to extirpate Ahab's wicked house; his furious ride to Jezreel; the slaughter of Jehoram (king of Israel), Jezebel, Ahaziah (king of could give these injunctions without arousing

two br-thren of Ahaziah. At this point our 24, 25. And when they went in. R. V. omits "when," and ends the sentence HOME READINGS: Monday - 2 Kings 10: 18- at "burnt-offerings." Jehu appointed Nuesday - 2 Kings 10: 28-31. Wednesday - fourscore men without. - R. V., " Now Kings 10: 11-17. Thursday - Zeph. 1: 7-18. Jehu had appointed him fourscore men withpriday - Rom. 11: 1-22. Saturday - Gal. 4: 12- out." The temple had probably but a single entrance, or but two at the most. This detail The bloody commission laid upon unarmed, caged and panic-stricken multitude. bursts of furious, wayward, almost fanatical,

o go along with him and see his zeal or Jehovah. "Side by side with the pillars that were in the house." Burned them—the wooden images of the Phoenician king," says Stanley, "the austere gods. Brake down the image (R. V., hermit sate in the royal chariot as he "pillar") of Baal—the stone image in entered the capital of Samaria, 'the front of the temple. Made it a draught warrior in his coat of mail, the ascetic house - a place for the refuse and filth of ha his hair cloth." All who were left the city, thus defiling it beyond the possibility

and then Jehu concocted a plan for destroying the Baalite idolatry at a we have seen. Basi was seated aloft, with the troke. The people were summoned gods of Phonicia around him. The wooden Camden. — There appears to be a better ininages, small and great, were dragged from
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shall serve him much. The temple was razed to the ground, left, and the interest continues, with new was appointed in the house of the idol. and its site only known in after days as the one of his followers were allowed to decository of all the flith of the town (Stanley).

When the time came, the temple was Israel - an effective destruction, for this Providence, has a probationers' class numbercrowded; the sacred vestments were species of idolatry never again reared its ing 43. brought forth for the unsuspecting head in I-rael. The work of Elijah was

made to see that all servants of Jehovah Strange to say, the Asherah in Samaria church, Sunday, March 8. In the evening were excluded. The victims were offered in the presence of the king and Jehonadab; and when the sacrifices were completed, they retired, and then eighty picked men, who had been stationed at the entrance for the purpose, entered, and the slaughter did disturb and unsettle tha kingdom, and weaken the fact that the whole reign of this king, was barren of impose, entered, and the slaughter did disturb and unsettle that kingdom, and weaken the fact that the whole reign of this king, which have proved a success during the present year, will be continued the next Conference year. pose, entered, and the slaughter did not end until every adherent of Baal not end until every adherent of Baal portant events, and the king was barren of imhad been smitten. The sanctuary was then stormed, the stone statue of the stormed, the stone statue of the stormed in verses 32, 33 (fodd).

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dol shattered, the wooden images 29. Howbeit from the sins of Jero- Rev. E. R. Thorndike, of Trinty Church; at burned, the temple razed to the ground, boam - the first king of Israel, who founded 2.45 by Rev. J. W. Webb, D. D., of St. Paul's and its site devoted to the pollution of the town sewerage. This final stroke sealed the fate of this species of idolatry in Israel. Jehu was comidolatry in Israel. Jehu was com- boam. The calf-worship, though unlawful, mended for his zeal, and rewarded by was at least a restoration of the worship of the promise that his descendants to the Jehovah under these symbols.

fourth generation should sit upon the He stopped short with his religious reforms, brone; but his zeal was not whole- and did not destroy the golden calves; he left hearted. He was willing to restore the them for the same political reasons for which Jeroboam erected them, that is, that the northhis name goes down to history as one of the followers of of the followers of "Jeroboam, the revolution principally agratification of his own friends to the pastor — did indeed make a friends to the opinion that while he remains of Nebat, which made Israel to ambition. He was willing to be the instrument joyous time. The pastor had only the elo-of the overthrow of a wicked dynasty and a quence of tears as the token of his appreciacorrupt religion, and he stopp d just where his paired (Bahr). 18, 19. Jehu gathered all the people

gether. - They were naturally curious to e intended to deceive the people. It was preface to the reward about to be announced. to \$2,000. characteristic of Jehu that he kept his own He had shown rare vigor in extirpating insels and was unscrupulous in his methods Ahab's house and Jezebel's idolatry, and for of executing them. Call unto me all the his obedience he was to receive compensation; prophets of Baal, etc. — Baal had his and yet, that his behavior was not without next year. The year has been in all respects blame, that he was even to be punished for it in the history of his house, we have the testimony of the prophet Hosea (1:4). See tendance for many years. The Epworth also Illustrative. Thy children of the fourth generation shall sit on the is very enthusiastic, and the congregations throne - a promise literally fulfilled

(2 Kings 15; 12). This was accomplished in the persons of Jehonhaz (2 Kings 13: 1), Jossh (13: 9), Jero- March 8. boam (14: 16), and Zachariah (15: 8), the son, grandson, great-grandson, and great-greatgrandson of Jehu. It is noticeable that no other family sat upon the throne of Israel so long. he would serve Baal far more than Ahab | The house of Omri, which furnished four kings, held the crown for three generations only and for less than fifty years; that of Jehu reigned which the thing at stake was a supreme power years (Rawlinson).

31. Jehu took no heed to walk . . . itself in acts of butchery. When he was ent out through all the tribes, and no God."

not touch the chief sin of Israel, because he considered it the chief support of his own attended it. The house of Baal was full external sins, but will not think of denying another — the courts as well as the building turning his heart to the living God (Bahr).

IV. Inferential.

1. God often makes use of imperfect in-2. Motives are frequently mixed in this through which he has just passed. world. What is proclaimed as zeal for God

itty-three feet long and thirteen feet high, and raised twenty feet above the ground tion. 3. In critical times character tells, and its 22, 23 Said unto him that was over adherence to a cause is valued.

the vestry—the robing chamber of the 4. Treachery, even in God's cause, is reprebole, where the sacred garments were hensible. Bring forth vestments. — Baal's 5. There have been crimes against God very interesting things to be found in connec

Him from the heart.

V. Illustrative.

1. Let us take heed we do not call that those that differ from us a little in their Hazzel, and the accession of the latter to the none of the worshipers of the Lord - melts the sword within, but singeth not the scabbard (Cudworth).

2. The character of Jehu is not difficult to understand, if we take it as a whole and consider the general impression left upon us by the Biblical account. He is exactly one of those men whom we are compelled to recognize, not for what is good or great in themselves, but as instruments for destroying evil and preparing the way for what is good; such as Augustus Cæsar at Rome, Sultan Mahmoud II. in Turkey, or one closer at hand in the revolutions of our own time and neighborhood. A destiny, long kept in view by himself or others; inscrutable secrecy and of eighty men, fully armed, would be quite reserve in carrying out his plans; a union of sufficient to enact the tragedy upon the cold, remorseless tenacity, with occasional Jehu was nearly executed. All the preminent members of Ahab's house 39; Ex. 21: 23. Whom I have brought prominent members of Ahab's house had fallen beneath the sword. He had just started for Samaria from the "shearing-house," where the forty-two of King Ahaziah had under the shearing had been of King Ahaziah had under the same of the same of the shearing had been organized here in place of the qualities of Israel—the most uniovely, and the most coldly commended of all the heroes been received on probation. Rev. C. S. brethren of King Ahaziah had unwith the sacrifice. Smite them . . . cast
expectedly met their fate, when he them out.—The sword did its bloody instance of the gradually increasing light, encountered a solitary figure whose work, swiftly and unpityingly, and the even in the Jewish dispensation, that in the austerity of aspect and dignity of corpses were either flung back as the wider and more evangelical revelations of the bearing attracted his attention, and led him to draw his chariot rein. He had probably seen him before—this well-known chief of the Kenites, well-known chief of the Kenites, the son of Rechap the rendered: " I will avenge the blood of Jezreel In the interior was a kind of inner fastness or upon the house of Jehu." Their blood, like founder of a Nazarite community adytum, in which were seated, or raised on pillars, the figures carved in wood of the again, in the convulsions of nations and among his people, which has respected this discipline even to the present day. Phoenician delities as they were seen, in vision, churches, was a righteous retribution on centuries later, by Jezebel's f-llow-countryman, them; but from him who shed it a no less righteous retribution is at last exacted, by evidently coming to meet him. They centre was Baal, the sun god; around him were the just judgment which punishes the wrongexchanged mutual assurances as to the inferior divinities. In front of the temple their hearts being right, and clasped stood on a stone pillar the figure of Baal alone their hearts being right, and clasped stood on a stone pillar the figure of Baal alone their hearts being right, and clasped stood on a stone pillar the figure of Baal alone their hearts being right, and clasped stood on a stone pillar the figure of Baal alone their figure of Baal al state, but of both (Stanley).

The Conferences.

N. E. SOUTHERN CONFERENCE. Providence District.

Sunday, March 8, two rose for prayers in the evening meeting in our church at Bristol.

Rev. W. F. Davis is pastor. At the Haven Church, East Providence, 9

pastor, Rev. L. G. Horton, Sunday, March 8 tinued for another year at least. The revival services at Warren have been left, and the interest continues, with new seekers. Bro. Phreaner, the pastor, will immerse a few of the converts.

Rev. G. W. King, of Broadway Church,

Rev. H. D. Robinson, pastor of Hope St. Church, Providence, received 2 into the

the sermons delivered - in the morning by Bro. W. E. Douglass and other pastors. than at any other time of its career.

A most happy occasion was that of a neigh borhood and church reception to the pastor, Rev. J. W. Webb, D. D., and family, at St. Paul's Church, Providence, Wednesday evenirg, March 11. A full house, happy faces, personal interests were in danger of being im- Webb was presented a large and beauti ul 30. The Lord said unto Jehu - not has had very gratifying success from his Frost to give his denial as wide a circulation ow by what principles their new king probably by a personal communication, first service at St. Pani's. Spiritually and as the report. ould govern church and state. Ahab since Elisha was the usual medium for financially the church is in good condition. God's messages. Because thou hast done The people are enthusiastic for his return the much — an ambiguous expression, by which | well, etc. — words of commendation as a | next Conference year, and will raise his salary

Rev. S. H. Day, of Phenix, has received a hearty and unanimous request to return - spiritually and financially - a success The Sunday-school has had the largest at-League has had a growth of 135 per cent., and have been uniformly good.

Seven persons were received on probation in Edgewood Church, Providence, Sunday, March 8.

How Can CURED

Newport is historic ground, and the social

status of our two churches in the community here was never higher than to-day, nor their religious condition more promising. The Thames St. Church has been repaired and beautified within and without, and furnished with a bell, a chandelier and new seats, at an expense of more than \$4,000, all paid. The law of the Lord. - His seal expended pastor, Rev. G. W. Hunt, has been most cordially invited to return for the second year compelled to sheathe the sword, he had no The good work that he is doing for the church farther mission. He was a "scourge of and the community is greatly appreciated. solemn assembly for Baal. — Word was God," as Bahr remarks, but not "a man of The old First Church, under the labors of its pastor, Rev. W. A. Luce, has been renew Jehu did indeed destroy idolatry, but he did ing its youth. A change was made, in November last, in the order of Sabbath services. so that the church has but one sermon now instead of two as formerly. Increasingly large congregations attend upon the presen (R. V., "filled") from one end to himself, of sacrificing his own interests, and of ministry, and the people are greatly encour-Luce's return was most urgently and unan imously requested. He has not as yet signified his assent, finding it a difficult matter to decide, on account of the great affliction

NEW HAMPSHIRE CONFERENCE.

Clarement District. An old map of Claremont, dating back to 1828, has been discovered, and is in the posession of one of the citizens. There are some thipers were gorgeously bedecked. The which demanded a bloody excision — that of

king's interest and zeal in the great feast doubtless rendered him very popular among the idol devotees. They had a king now after their own heart, they said to the mealway.

6. God has temporal rewards for those who standing.

standing. Rev. D. C. Babcock has been chosen president of the Bible Society of North Grafton, Coos and Essex (Vt.) counties.

Dover District. The correspondent has been "off" for three weeks, where Conference news from among the Granite Hills could not easily be picked up. He gathered much of interest upon other matters, but it is not HERALD news necessarily.

The Methodist society at Hampton gave exists and observes the same restrictions at the present day. Look that there be . . lightning (which philosophers speak of) that Among the gifts was a purse of \$23.

> Rev. Irad Taggart, who has done faithful service at Londonderry for three years, has been asked to return the fourth year. This is as it should be.

> Rev. C. W. Dockrill is busily at work pre paring for the session of the Conference a Newport, April 15. This is not the first time he has done this work, and he knows how to look after the confort of his guests.

EAST MAINE CONFERENCE.

Rockland District.

Wiscasset. - Rev. W. B. Jackson is im proving slowly in health, but he feels that he will not be able to take work the coming Conference year. He is thinking now of making his home in Wiscasset.

North Palermo. - The reports at the fourth quarterly conference revealed the fact that this charge is in a most flourishing con

Belfast. - Three persons have been received into full membership. There have been six conversions. Rev. G. B. Chadwick is pastor.

Waldoboro'. - Eleven persons have been converted, 9 persons have been received on probation, 6 have been baptized, and 5 re ceived in full by the pastor, Rev. B. H. Had-

North Vassalboro'. - Five weeks' revival meetings have been held. Eleven have said, "Pray for me," and the interest is increas ing. Rev. W. J. Kelley is pastor.

Morrill. - Rev. S. S. Gross has been con fined to the house for several weeks by illness. He is somewhat improved, but it will be some time before he is able to attend to his Unity .- Pastor W. A. Meservey and the

people of this charge are well pleased with persons were received on probation by the their present relations, and desire them con Camden. - There appears to be a better in-

VERMONT CONFERENCE.

St. Johnsbury District. Oraftsbury. - Rev. M. P. Bell, the pastor of this church, who has had a long and painful illness, died at his home on Monday evening, March 16. The cause of death was apoplexy and heart trouble. He was 59 years old. Bro. Belt's min stry extends over a long period of time and a large section of Vermont and part of New York, though he was a comparative stranger to St Johnsbury District. He leaves a wife, a daughter, and two sons to mourn their loss. The funeral was held in

Lyndon. - Bros. Dodd and Curl exchanged pulpits on a recent Sabbath. Bro. Dodd addressed the Y. M. C. A. in the afternoon, and the members of that Association speak in the very highest terms of the address.

St. Johnsbury. - A local paper contains a letter from Bro. T. P. Frost A previous issue in reporting a speech of the popular Brooklyn preacher at the banquet given by the Brooklyn Society of Vermonters, made him to use the language of an old hero of the Revolutioncheerful greetings, inspiring songs, a dona- ary period, and say "Swear." Bro. F. writes that the report "may lead some of his tion of the kindly deed of his people. Mrs. that long ago I adopted it as a rule in public speaking to use no profanity, either original bouquet of pure white flowers. Dr. Webb or second hand." It is only right to Bro.

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M. Bailey reported 8 converted during th

year, an Epworth League formed with 49

members, and the benevolences coming up

VERMONT CONFERENCE.

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Let all persons who are to attend Confer

ence at Northfield, read with care the rail-

Waterbury Centre has just given its pastor

return for the fifth year.

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Keview of the Week.

Tu sday, March 24

York city. High death rate in Chicago last week -

- Colored men ask the President for a world's fair official and a supreme court judge.

- The Sabbath Union petitions the Massa shusetts legislature against Sunday newspapers - The New York Produce Exchange agreed to close over Good Friday by a ballot of 560

- Another fiendish plot to destroy life and property by setting fire to a New York tenement

- The big wool hat trust formed in New York city two weeks ago by leading wool hat turers has collapsed. - Ex-Senator Blair has accepted the Chinese

Mission and has arranged to sail from San Francisco on the first of May. - Austin Corbin presented two bills to the

New Hampshire legislature providing for the iransfer of the Concord Railroad - Editor Hardenstein of Vicksburg was Editor Cashman, because they disa-

greed on the New Orleans lynching. - Charles Francis Chickering, head of the great piano house of Chickering & Sons, died at his home in New York city Monday evening. - Mr. Havemeyer was before the Sugar yesterday, and told how the Trust was organ-

- The Washington National Bank of New and it is probable that this action will soon be York city closed its doors yesterday. The sident of the bank made too liberal loans to

- The intense hatred felt by the two factions of the Irish party for each other was illustrated terday at Cork, when Timothy D. Healy, M. P., was brutally assaulted by a Parnellite

- Governor Russell sends down a message of State Prison government. He wants to give the warden power to discharge subordinates, and he himself wants power to remove cor

W dneeday, March 25.

- The tug " Triana," on Cuttyhunk, is broken

- Ramissatra, the murderous Madagasc governor, has been executed. - The loss by the overflow of the Miss River is estimated by millions.

- Admiral Brown and two United States - The failure of the Washington Nationa Bank of New York involves \$130,000.

- The Home Market Club gave Major - The Massachusetts Senate yesterday voted,

23 to 14, in favor of public bars, and the House maintained its former position on that ques-During the bombardment of the city of

Iquique by the Chilean rebels valuable blocks were destroyed, involving a loss of about two - The Swartz Bank failure at Louisville, Ky. is a very bad one. The liabilities are a mill

arrested on a criminal warrant. - The Maine Legislature reversed its position on the Australian ballot system yesterday and passed the bill. A similar measure is under debate in the New Hampshire Legislature.

and the assets nothing. The directors will be

- Mrs. Anna C. L. Botta, wife of a professo in the University of the City of New York, died Monday in New York. She was a well-known lover of art and literature, and published volumes of poetry and a "Hand-book of Universal Literature."

Thursday, March 26.

- The Governor's Council refuse to to Mr. Osborne's removal. - England and Russia so to participate in our World's Fair

- Wreck of the British steamer " Strathairly "

M. J., has all the new help it requires, and the inary at Hackettstown, N. J., was accus-

- Banker S. A. Kean, of Chicago, was indicted by the grand jury for defrauding his creditors connection with the failure of his bank some

- The Newfoundland deputation of merchants in London were told by Mr. W. H. Smith that that arbitration or war is the only alternative.

- From census statistics it appears that the solored population of the South does not hold its own with the whites of that section. There - A young Boston woman, Sophia G. Hayden

wins the first prize for the best design for the roman's buildings of the World's Fair. Another Boston woman, Miss Lois L. Howe, takes the second prize, and a Chicago woman, Laura Hayes, takes the third. - The New York Railway Commi-

and that the company is responsible for the comply with the law prohibiting the use of

Fiday, March 27.

three days' snow storm. - There are over 10,000 cases of la grippe in Pittsburg and Allegheny.

- Maurice Healy says Parnell's recent speeches prove him to be a coward and a sneak, as well

as a libertine and a liar. A colored lawyer of Philadelphia bequeather \$100,000 to protect and to secure to colored

citizens their civil rights. - The Maine legislature's finance committee for the representation of Maine at the World's

Saturday March 28.

- Dr. W. D. Gentry, of Chicago, claims to have caught the la grippe microbe. - A merchant was assassinated in Switzer

- A woman has walked on a wager from Se Francisco to New York in 6 months and 26 days. - Reporter Kingdon was acquitted of the stable before going to Europe. He an-

land by a member of the Italian Mafia.

wresked near Cape Henry. Seven persons were

— The Buigariau Minister of Finance was last

evening shot dead on the street in Sofia by an anknown assassin.

— Both branches of the Maine Legislature have passed a bill providing for an educational

qualification for voting. - Mr. Moody's last address at the series of accon meetings in Tremont Temple was made ministers to preach during the summer in

- A United States revenue cutter has made for the first time an inland passage from North | The exercises connected with the laying of Edisto River to Charleston, S. C.

- Charles Elliott, a gambler, of Spokane layed until the building could be occupied, Falls, Washington, shot two astresses dead on and they were held Sunday afternoon, March the stage of a variety theatre Thursday night 15, in the chapel of the church under the diand then took his own life.

- A special Good Friday service was held last sons were present. Bishop R. S. Foster, who was present, laid the stone according to the ritingredients used are pure and wholesome, hillps Brooks, Rev. Leighton Parks, Rev. liton, Rev. George M. Bodge, pastor of the Unitarian Church, Rev. Hiram A. Philbrook, of the Universalist Church, and the brook, of the Universalist Church, and the

Church, Episcopal, New York, had six clergymen Bishop, a box collection of about \$50 was unanimously requested Bro. P. E. Brown's services in his church yesterday, and may be disciplined for his disregard of the rules of the tecture, is built of wood, and fronts on Breed

Dillon and William O'Brien, of 52 mem against the Parneilites 32. The funds of the the Parnellite funds are nowhere.

- A lively political fight occurred at North Sligo, Ireland, on Sunday - A very dangerous counterfeit

certificate has been floated - Hon. E. S. Tobey, a former Boston, died suddenly last evening - The Canadian Pacific sets an entrance into

New York over the New York Central.

Correspondence relative to a reciprocity treaty between Mexico United States is in progress. - The delightful weather vesterday in large congregations at the Easter services in

the various Boston churches - The Allan Steamship Company has chased the vessels of the State Steamship Company of Glasgow, now in liquidation.

- The United States steamer " Galena," which on Sunday and towed to Vineyard Haven. - Jose Vincente Valada, Governor of the State of Mexico, has abouished bull fighting,

followed in all the States. - Patrolman L. H. Senjamin, of division 18 of this city, was on Saturday dismissed from the force by the police commissioners for his assinit upon Reporter Kingdon at Trinity Church upon

St. It is 40 feet on the front and 88 feet - The securing of Sligo will give a total to deep. The auditorium is 44x35, and is the Nationals in Parliament, counting John joined by folding-doors to the class-room and well. Good for the little society on Swan's abers, vestry, which is 33x22 1-2. A ladies' parlor national federation are daily increasing, while be furnished with memorial windows, all of which have been subscribed for. The cost of the building when completed will be about - The new sugar tariff goes into effect April 1. \$10,000. The corner-stone is a brown free-- Dr. Howard Crosby died in New York on stone block, 12x16 inches. It is set in the road notice on the 5th page, which will not front brifkwork, and is marked on the face, appear again. "1890." Behind it is placed a box containing an autograph album with more than one sand names which were written by persons each of whom paid ten cents when their

> names were written. donation of \$34, and is very anxious for The chapel of the new church was opened his return another year. The last quarterly for the first time for religious worship Sunday afternoon, March 29. The services were rising for prayers at the close of the evening and the conducted by Rev. J. W. Hamilton, D. D., of the Saratoga Street Church. A number of prominent clergymen were present, among them being Bishop W. F. Mallalieu and Dr.
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> A quiet work of grace has been in progress J. H. Mansfield, presiding elder of the Lynn District. At 3 o'clock Bishop Mallalieu preached a powerful sermon, taking his text preached a powerful sermon, taking his text from the last chapter of Matthew, fifth verse. In the evening, at 7.30 o'clock, Dr. Mansfield preached an eloquent sermon. hundred dollars were received as an Easter offering towards the completion of the main

The Sunday-school in connection with this society will be organized on next Sunday afternoon at 1 45 o'clock, and at 3 o'clock the new society will be organized and the official members will be appointed.

> I'HE CONFERENCES [Continued from Page 5.]

the occasion of Bishop Paddock's funeral on Bro. Irvine arranged for the baptism of three thoroughly appreciated. children by the presiding elder at the last



AT ORIENT HEIGHTS.

"We're building three a day," and one of the three for one of the days last week was Epworth League has supplied the vestry another Methodist Church in Boston. It is with 50 copies of "The Finest of the located in one of the new sections of the Wheat," and contributed towards supporting city, and is neither the result of secession. nor emigration from an older church. It grew up like a tree where it stands.

Orient Heights overlooks East Boston as summit of the Heights the prospect is not less commanding than from any other one of the hills encircling the harbor. At the base cently received several into the church. of the highest hill, two miles from the church in Winthrop and two more from the Saratoga Street Church in East Boston, this new edifice is now being erected.

- The Clark Thread Company at Newark, is now preparing for the ministry in the sem- ally satisfied. the open air. He suggested to his pastor, "Must have him for the fourth year sure. portunity to hold religious meetings on the Orient Heights, and get good congregations.

Eastport. — The church will soon be lighted with electric lights. Bro. Haskell, having Rev. Dr. S. L. Baldwin, that there was an op-Sunday afternoon. Accordingly meetings charge is prospering. the summer every Sunday afternoon, and a monument to his sacrificing labors. concluded on the afternoon of Sept. 19.

After Rev. Dr. J. W. Hamilton became the pastor of the Saratoga Street Church, meetings were begun in private houses in that neighborhood. These meetings were led by students from the Lay College at spiritual prosperity.

J. W. Hamilton proposed the building of a the charge. 'Let us begin now," said Mr. Battis, and he brought forth a dinner plate to take the collection, which amounted that evening to just work. - New Hampshire legislators voted yesterday one dollar. At a meeting held one week from that evening the plan for building was lowing Sunday in a stable — the only build. next year.

commodate any great number of people. was a horse and carriage in the stable at the time; but a large congregation was present, and a subscription was taken for the building fund, which amounted to about \$1,300 The following Tuesday evening, at a teameeting held in the home of Mr. Battis, a Ladies' Aid Society was organized, and new subscriptions taken. On Sunday, May 25, Mr. Hamilton preached his last sermon in the nonnced that he had bought land on which to build the church, and received a subscrip - The Norwegian barque "Dictator" was tion of \$1,000 from the Boston Land Com pany. The subscriptions were then increased to more than \$3,000. On Monday evening, May 26, a board of trustees, which had been

> elected by the quarterly conference of the Saratoga Street Church on May 21, was or-During Dr. Hamilton's absence, Rev. H. B. Hobbs directed the meetings, and engaged tent, which was set up near to Leyden Street

on the grounds of Mr. John Young. the corner-stone of the new church were derection of Dr. Hamilton. Five hundred per-

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Calais, Knight Memorial Church. - The a young man at Bucksport Seminary. Rev. B. M. Mitchell, a superannuate past 80 years, recently preached an impromptu sermon with much of his olden-time vigor, with great ac-East Boston overlooks the Bay. From the ceptance to his audience. Bro. Anderson is earnestly desired the fourth year.

Columbia Falls. - Bro. Kearney has re Others will follow soon. Outler. - Through the generosity of the

papers, this charge has received an unsought notoriety this year. Under the leadership of The Saratoga Street Church is justly en- the recently-appointed pastor, J. W. Ramey, titled to the credit for the enterprise which a large young people's society has been - John Hopkins, of Millbury, has been ap- has created the new church. A few years formed, seven persons have been converted, pointed to the Supreme bench to succeed the ago a young man by the name of James and a new life put into the entire work. Young, who was then a carpenter, but who Thus far pastor and people have been mutu- copy free by sending a postal card to the

East Machias and Whiting. - Bro. W. A. tomed to find in his strolls across the hills on McGraw recovered from a severe attack of — A severe snow-storm and blizzard is raging Sunday afternoons, multitudes of people at the West. In Kansas, Nebraska and Colorado wandering aimlessly about or lounging in terity conference and hear all the people say,

Dr. Baldwin appointed Rev. H. B. Hobbs, a paid off the floating debts, is now moving local preacher in the Saratoga Street Church, against the mortgage held by the bank. His government has no desire to coerce, but to arrange for a preaching service the next plan is unique, and must succeed. The

were begun, and the first sermon was Bdmunds. - In company with several other preached by Dr. Baldwin on the lawn in the brethren of the district, Bro. Smith has a private grounds of Mr. McKee, June 20, unanimous recall to serve the fourth year. 1886. These meetings were continued during The pleasant parsonage, now free of debt, is

Gouldsboro. - Since December Rev. R. A. Farnham, better known as from Cutler, has supplied the church at this place with acceptance to the people and with some signs of

Haven & Hartford Road in regard to the others.

Crescent Beach, Rev. H. B. Hobbs, and Harrington. — A very pretty union church has been dedicated at Lower Harrington free has been dedicated at Lower Harrington free In one of these neighborhood meetings, of debt. The Methodist clergymen present held May 8, 1890, in the home of Mr. George were Messrs. Boynton, Ingersoll, Kearney, death of the victims, inasmuch as it failed to R. W. Battis, a member of the Unitarian Lockhart, and the pastor, Rev. S. M. Small. Congregational Church in East Boston, Rev. Signs of prosperity abound on all parts of

chapel, and that a fund be started with offer-- Kansas is recovering from the effects of a ings made at the week-night meetings. West Lubec, and others restored to their place in the church. Bro. J. H. Barker is doing good service, and is encouraged in the

> Machias. - Machias people are unanimous definitely proposed, and a much larger col-lection was taken. An appointment was "Hands off until Bro. Boynton serves his made for Dr. Hamilton to preach on the fol. afth year!" Amen! They promise \$1,000

ing that could be secured which would ac. | Pembroke. - Since last reported, two adults and one child have been baptized. One Dr. Hamilton preached as announced, in promising man has taken a stand for Christ. the stable, which was on Gladstone Street, Quite a large gathering of members and has agreed to report an appropriation of \$40,000 and owned by Mr. C. E. Bennison. There friends at the fourth quarterly conference



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result. A prominent citizen, not a member of our church, told the presiding elder that, if a vote were taken of the people in town, it would be unanimous in desiring the return of Pastor Sherburne.

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